



Portland Nursery School

Student Safety Policy

In the spirit of a true co-operative nursery school, it is all of our intent to take an active role in our children's educational journey. For many of us this is the first time we are entrusting our children in the care of other adults, and we all want this to be a fun growth experience, where they are able to exert their independence in a nurturing, safe environment. In an effort to insure the safety of all our students, the following guidelines have been put into place, and should be carefully followed by all volunteers.

~ Bathroom entry doors should remain open at all times.

~ Only one person should be in the bathroom stalls at a time. In the circumstance when a child asks for assistance, the working parent should communicate this need to the other working parent who would then be able to appropriately “monitor” this process. (Note that the word “monitor”, does not imply constant help or visibility, simply a comfortable level of awareness and assistance if necessary.)

~Parent helpers should be alone in a room with a student only if they are within a few seconds sight of another working parent or teacher.

~ In the case a child has a bathroom related accident, the child's parent/ guardian will be contacted. No working parent or teacher is required to change a student's diaper or pants. In the case when a parent cannot be reached and a working parent is willing, he or she may help change the child, keeping in mind the above guidelines.

Of course it is understood that there may be extenuating circumstances when we are unable to adhere to the details of this policy. By signing below, you, as a classroom volunteer, are agreeing to do your best to comply with the above guidelines.

Volunteer signature: _____