

Loma Linda Academy Children's Center

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Clothing and Activity Permission Form

While your child attends LLACC, the staff will encourage your child to explore and immerse themselves in much indoor and outdoor art activities as well as outside play. Please dress your children in comfortable clothing and footwear. Do not send your child in clothing that you don't want to get dirty.

Tennis shoes are a must for climbing and running. Save fancy shoes and clothing for the weekends. Toddlers are encouraged to use self help skills which involve the children feeding themselves. If you are concerned about your child's clothing becoming dirty while they are feeding themselves, please provide a fresh bib daily and place the bib in their lunch box. Always have an extra set of clothes for your child, making sure that they are replaced frequently.

LLACC certainly appreciates family values and encounters many differences in terms of culture, languages, ethnic backgrounds, religions, perspectives and ways of living. However, it is our prayer and desire that the one commonality for young children we should agree on is that a child be allowed to be a child. This means allowing them the freedom to have fun, while at the same time keeping them safe. Dirty clothing, sand in the hair, smudged faces and dirty hands can ALWAYS be taken care of with a little soap and water. Not providing a child the freedom to explore and create cannot occur! The center STRONGLY encourages that you dress your child in play clothing, not fancy attire. We also recommend that girls do not wear fancy bows, ribbons, bracelets and necklaces.

Article from NAEYC regarding the developmental importance of art.

Can You See What I See? Cultivating Self-Expression Through Art

Over the years, educators, psychologists, and philosophers have come to appreciate the value of children's art and its important role in early childhood education. It is now agreed by many in the field that exploring and creating with art materials helps children become more sensitive to the physical environment (for instance, shape, size, and color); promotes cognitive development (decision-making, nonverbal communication, and problem solving); and increases their social and emotional development (a sense of individuality, appreciation of others' work, and sharing). Young children who are encouraged to engage in expressive art activities also gain a sense of accomplishment and grow toward achieving independence and autonomy.

Article from NAEYC regarding the developmental importance of playing outside.

Starting Children on Science

Young children are scientists at play. While they're baking mud pies or building worm playgrounds, you may catch them conducting playful experiments. If you listen, in addition to giggling you may hear an exchange of observations or well thought-out theories. In their early encounters with nature, children develop ideas about our world based on experiences with real things.

<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes, my child may participate in art activities and work with items such as paint, glitter, crayons, etc. as the teacher allows. I understand that the center has smocks for these activities. I understand that my child's clothing and footwear may get dirty while creating and having fun. I understand that my child will be asked to change into their extra change of clothing which I provided as needed. Toddlers will be assisted in changing their clothing. The soiled clothing will be sent home to be laundered. I understand that it is my responsibility to make sure my child always has "extra clothing" at the center. I understand that if I choose to send my child to the center in clothing which is inappropriate for the daily activities which they will engage in as listed above I will hold the center blameless.
<input type="checkbox"/>	I understand that LLACC's philosophy in accordance with NAEYC is that children's play is their "work!" LLACC's Motto: "Where Education Meets Fun!"

<input type="checkbox"/>	No, my child may not participate in activities and work that include items such as paint, glitter, crayons, etc. This includes any activities which would soil or ruin my child's clothing. I understand that by selecting this choice, the teachers will provide puzzles, books, and manipulative items for my child to use during our art and outside time.
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Child(ren) Name: _____

Parent's Full Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent's Full Printed Name: _____