

# **Preschool Application Packet**

Serving children 6 weeks old through Five Years Old

Included in packet:

- **1. Operating Policies and Procedures**
- **2. Enrollment Information**
- **3. Emergency Record**
- 4. Person(s) Authorized to Pick-up Child / Immunization

Schedule

- 5. Health and Illness Policy
- **6. Preschool Program Information Sheet**
- 7. Childcare / Preschool Agreement
- 8. Release of Liability

Please return this entire packet, along with the enrollment fee, to reserve your child's placement. Please do NOT remove any pages from this packet



# **ENROLLMENT INFORMATION**

Child's Name	Child's Nickname	
Birth Date	_	
Address(House Numb Zip Code)	per and Street)	(City, State,
Mailing Address (if Different)_ <sup>Code)</sup>	(House Number and Street)	(City, State, Zip
Mother's Name		
Mother's Address (if different) <sup>Code</sup> )	(House Number and Street)	(City, State, Zip
Mother's Home Phone	Mother's Cell Phone	
Mother's Place of Employment	t (Company Name) 	(Work Phone #)
Mother's Work Address(Nu Zip Code)	mber and Street)	(City, State,
Phone # where child's M	Nom can be reached while	at our center
Father's Name		
Father's Address (if different) . Code)	(House Number and Street)	(City, State, Zip



Father'	s H	ome Pho	ne			_Fat	her's Cell	Phone _			
Father'	s Pl	ace of Er	nployme	nt							
Phone #)					(Com	ipany	Name)				(Work
Father'	s W	ork Addı	cess							(0)	
Zip Code	:)		(1	Number	and St	reet)				(City	y, State,
Phone	#	where	child's	Dad	can	be	reached	while	at	our	center
Date E	nrol	lled				D	ate Withdı	awn			



Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Person to be contacted in the event of an emergency when child's parents cannot be reached:

(Name) Zip Code) (House Number and Street)

(City, State,

(Home Phone)

(Work Phone)

Does your child have any allergies? If yes, please describe.

Does your child have any special needs? If yes, please describe.

Does your child have any other health conditions? If yes, please describe.

Is there any other information of which I should be aware?

Child's Physician \_\_\_\_\_

(Name)

(Phone)

(Doctor's Office Name) Code) (Number and Street)

(City, State, Zip



	(Name)	(Phone)		
(Dentist Office Name) Code)	(Number and Street)	(City,	State,	Zip

# PERSONS AUTHORIZED TO PICK UP MY CHILD

Child's Name

Only the people listed below (with photo ID) will be able to pick up your child.

Name	_ Phone #
Name	_ Phone #
Parent's Signature	Date
Director	Date



# **HEALTH & ILLNESS POLICY**

#### **Emergency Phone Numbers:**

Fire / Police / Ambulance: 911

#### Medication: MEDICINE WILL NOT BE GIVEN TO CHILDREN; MEDICINE SHOULD BE DISPINSED AT HOME AWAY FROM THE PROPERTY OF AKC.

**Antibiotics:** A child with a contagious condition for which antibiotics have been prescribed may NOT attend daycare if he/she shows signs of illnesses as outlined below. This policy is for the benefit and protection of all children and staff.

**Diarrhea:** A child with diarrhea must stay (or go) home until the diarrhea has stopped and normal bowel movements have resumed.

**Fever:** When a child has a fever above 100 degrees orally or above 101 degrees rectally, he / she must stay home until the child has been fever-free for 24 hours. If a fever develops during the day, we will call you and you MUST pick up your child as soon as possible.

**Head Lice:** A child with head lice must stay home until specific treatment is completed and lice and nits in hair and clothing are absent.

**Impetigo and Conjunctivitis:** These are very contagious conditions and must be treated with antibiotics before the child may attend. If your child has red, runny eyes or scabby sores, I will notify you. Your child MUST be taken out of daycare until he / she has been seen by a doctor and been on medication for AT LEAST 48 hours.

**Runny Nose:** Generally, a clear discharge is okay, and a thick yellow-greenish discharge is a sign of a more serious infection. This is more dangerous for younger, rather than older children, and we will use our discretion about asking you to keep your child at home.



**Strep Throat:** A child with strep throat must not attend daycare until he / she has been on antibiotics for 24 hours and is symptom-free and feeling well.

**Vomiting:** A vomiting child MUST go home if he / she becomes ill while at daycare. He / She cannot return to daycare until vomiting has stopped for at least 24 hours.

**Shot Records:** You need to provide a photocopy of your child's shot records for our records. As your child has additional shots, we also need our photocopy updated. The state requires that all children enrolled in daycare have current immunizations.

Before returning to care: If you take your child to a doctor because of an illness, need a note from the doctor explaining the illness, treatment, and when your child can return to daycare. It is very important to follow these policy rules. They reflect a common respect and responsibility to protect the children from illnesses.

HOURS: Preschool / Childcare: \_\_\_\_\_ Preschool is offered 2, 3, and 5 days a week.

**REGISTRATION FEE: \$75.00 CLASS SUPPLY FEE- \$75.00** 

We look forward to having both your child and you involved in our program. If you ever have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask.

> DEMITA 205.677.5819



# **CHILDCARE / PRESCHOOL AGREEMENT**

#### **Hours and Fees:**

I am contracting with AGAPE KIDS for childcare / preschool for

Late Fee: \$10.0	0 / minute	
Thurs	Fri	
Mon	Tues	Wed
Weekly Rate of		for the days and hours of:
July and August	t (Summer Progra	am):
Thurs	Fri	
Mon	Tues	Wed
Weekly Rate of		for the days and hours of:
September thro	ugh June (Schoo	ol Year):
<b>Registration Fe</b>	<b>e:</b> \$75.00 (annual	l, non-refundable fee)
This contract is v	valid starting	
Terms of our agr	eement are as foll	lows:
	(Child's Name)	, but of bitti
		, Date of Birth

Damages:



Both AGAPE KINGDOM CARE and I will make every effort to teach my child to use materials carefully and to avoid damaging property that belongs to others. However, in the case of damage over \$20.00, I agree to cover the cost of replacement and repair.

#### I Agree To:

- 1. Pay the stated rates, fees and late fees as specified in this contract.
- 2. Call, if my child will not be attending preschool.
- 3. Give TWO weeks' notice, if I plan to stop bringing my child to childcare/preschool.
- 4. Provide a change of clothing, appropriate for the weather, to be left in my child's cubby.
- 5. Provide alternate care in the case of emergency or instances where AGAPE KINGDOM CARE is unable to care for my child without advance notice.
- 6. Not bring my child with a contagious illness or fever (See attached health/illness policy)
- 7. Not bring any of my child's toys to childcare (Security items such as blanket or stuffed animal for nap can be brought as needed.)
- 8. Arrive with my child dressed in appropriate clothing for the entire day.
- 9. Feed my child at home and send my child lunch.
- 10. If I want my child to eat anything other than what is provided by AGAPE KINGDOM CARE, I must provide it for my child.

Signature (Mother)	Date	Director Demita L. Walton	Date
Printed Name			
Signature (Father)	Date	Pastor Eric Harris	Date
Printed Name			



#### AGAPE KINGDOM CARE Operating Policies and Procedures

#### I. Mission

Our mission is to provide a structured stimulating and inquiry based learning environment for each child. AGAPE KINGDOM CARE main endeavor is to enhance children social, emotional, physical, spiritual, and educational proficiencies; while nurturing the mind, body, and spirit. Our preschool will not only focus on character building but will prepare students with the skills that will help them maximize their learning experiences, gain and retain information. Differentiated teaching styles will encourage students to embrace their uniqueness, identify their strengths and weaknesses, and maximize their potential. AGAPE KIDS is not a "babysitting center" or a "play date"; children will have fun while learning through constructive experiences such as planned activities, creative play, hands-on manipulatives, circle time, story time, nature experiments, music, and craft projects. Each activity is planned with the creativity to develop inquisitive minds and muscle coordination for growing bodies by nurturing self-confidence. Love, laughter, and learning are the pieces that make our preschool It is our mission to provide a caring and nurturing perfect. environment where unconditional love and attention is showed daily to the students and their families.

#### II. Admission Procedure

1. Admission to the Academy is open to children 6 weeks to 5 years old.

2. Interested parents should contact the Director of the Academy to request their child be enrolled. If there is no vacancy, the parents may pay the registration fee and place the child on the waiting list. When a vacancy occurs, the Director will notify the parents and arrange for a "pre-admission" conference if parents are still interested.



3. Each child should visit the center at least once immediately prior to his/her first day of regular attendance. Arrangements for this visit should be made with the Director during the pre-admission conference.

4. All required forms such as Preschool Application Packet must be completed and returned to the Director on or before the child's first day.

5. The Academy reserves the right to drop any child from enrollment, if the staff determines that the program is not meeting the needs of the child or if the child's presence poses a threat to the welfare of others.

6. If the parents choose to withdraw their child, the Director must be notified in writing two (2) weeks in advance

#### **III.** Discipline Policy

Our goal is to help children to learn to live comfortably with themselves and others. In order to achieve this, children need to learn to develop self-control and to be responsible for their actions. There are many things we will do to help children recognize alternatives and consequences which affect them as well as others. Discipline helps to guide children to this more mature behavior. We will give appropriate choices, arrange the classroom to be developmentally appropriate, clearly define limits and expectations, give children positive suggestions and directions, and redirect children to help them make good behavior choices. In the event a child is having problems with behavior staff we will offer redirection, verbal warnings, and/or possible removal from the situation. If the problem persists or is severe the child will spend a time-out in the classroom or in a separate location. If further action is needed based on severity or persistence of behavioral issues a parent conference with the director may be required.



#### IV. Fees

All fees are payable in advance and are non-refundable. Payment for care must be bi-weekly or monthly. This means if you are paying bi-weekly, payment is due on Monday for that week of care and for the following week. If you are paying monthly, payment is due the first Monday of the month for as many Mondays that are in the month. Tuition paid after Monday will be charged a \$25.00 late fee for each day the payment is late. Although we charge late fees for each day the payment must be posted to your account by noon on Tuesday. Failure to adhere to this policy will result in your not being will terminate care if fees are not paid by the end of the week. These rules will be strictly enforced and there will be NO exceptions. In addition, there will be no refunds given for absences and tuitions must be paid in full even for the weeks in which holidays are observed by the center. Registration fee and supply fee must be paid by ALL PARENTS. If your child will only be attending part-time; you must choose your days at the time of registration. Days may not be switched. There will be a \$30 administrative fee to change days, times, etc.

#### V. Arrival and Departure Proceedings

- 1. Upon arriving, the child must be delivered into the hands of AGAPE KINGDOM CARE staff on duty or the child's teacher. The AGAPE KINGDOM CARE cannot be responsible for the child's safety if this policy is not adhered to. In addition, the parent or person authorized to drop off and pick up the child must sign the child in and out each day upon his or her arrival and departure from the center. Time of arrival and departure must be indicated on the form. A legible signature of the parent, guardian, or other designated person is required. Initials are NOT acceptable.
- 2. An additional fee will be charged for a child left after pick up time at the rate of \$10.00 per minute. The late fee will begin 5 minutes after closing. This fee will be added to your account and payment



will be due with your very next week's tuition. This will be strictly enforced.

#### VI. Holidays

The Academy will be closed on the following days: Columbus Day, News Year Eve and Day, Good Friday, Memorial Day, 4<sup>th</sup> of July, Labor Day, and two days for Christmas and Thanksgiving. If another holiday should require Academy closings; parents will be aware two weeks before closing.

#### VII. Bad Weather

- 1. In the event of bad weather (tornado, hurricane, snow, storms, etc.) during the school year AGAPE KINGDOM CARE will follow the same policies and procedures as the Jefferson County Board of Education. Closings will be announced on the local television stations. Please be sure to watch for the Jefferson County School System and/or AGAPE KINGDOM CARE.
- 2. In the event Jefferson County School System should be close early in the day due to bad weather, we will immediately begin to call parents to pick up their children one (1) hour earlier than Jefferson County School System announced time.

#### VIII. Feeding Program

Food to be eaten by your child at AGAPE KINGDOM CARE must come from home. We do ask that you try to make it as healthy as possible. No "pick-up" and bring in lunch is allowed. Due to common allergies we ask that you **do not use peanut butter at all**. If sending a lunchable for your child, be sure to remove any peanut butter candy/cookies that may be included. Other than daily lunch you prepare, food to be served to your child or the other children in your child's class (such as birthday or



holiday party items) must be prepared in a commercially approved kitchen (e.g. grocery store deli, bakery, etc.) and/or be individually wrapped commercially prepared products (e.g. Little Debbie's, single serving potato chip bags, etc.) This policy is one set by the Health Department in accordance with guidelines set by the Department of Human Resources.

A morning nutritious snack is the only thing that will be provided by AGAPE KINGDOM CARE. Please ensure that sippy cups, lunch boxes, and anything else that is used in your child's lunch have your child name on it clearly. A weekly snack menu will be posted; if you would like your child to have something different during snack time it will be your responsibility to provide it.

#### IX. Health and Medical Information

- 1. A current record of immunizations (blue card) must be provided on the first day of enrollment and updated periodically thereafter according to the immunization schedule prescribed by the Alabama Department of Public Health. If we do not have a current "blue card" on file in the Academy then your child will not be allowed to attend the Academy.
- 2. Children must not be brought to the center if they have: severe colds, undetermined rash or spots, fever, severe headaches, pinkeye, upset stomach(vomiting or diarrhea) or other symptoms of illness. Parents will be notified to pick up their child immediately if signs of illness or a temperature of 101 degrees or higher occur during the day. You are asked that you keep your child home for 24 hours after the last episode and are symptom free for 24 hours without the aid of a medication. These rules are State Health Department requirements and are made for the protection of every child at the Academy.



- 3. Children may not be returned to the AGAPE KINGDOM CARE after a communicable disease until they have been re-examined and the doctor has released the child in writing.
- 4. In the event of a non-contagious situation, your child may return to the Academy with a doctor's note stating that the child has been seen by a physician and the child is not contagious and may return to the Academy.
- 5. The Academy will notify parents of exposed children, when a communicable disease has been introduced into the Academy. Parents are urged to notify the Academy when their child has been exposed to a communicable disease outside of the Academy.
- 6. Academy staff will not be permitted to administer over-thecounter medicines at all — No Exceptions. Prescriptions written by doctors for over-the- counter medicines will not be allowed either.
- 7. Parents should keep current the name of the child's doctor and the name of the other adults to contact in the event of an emergency.

## X. Clothing and Personal Belongings

- 1. Children should wear comfortable clothes and shoes suitable for indoor and outdoor wear. The Academy will not be responsible for clothing or shoes.
- 2. All clothing should be marked with the child's name for identification. This includes coats and sweaters worn daily.
- 3. Each child should have a change of clothing left at the Academy at all times.

#### XI. Home and Center Cooperation:

1. Parents should keep current the following phone numbers where someone can be reached at all times: home, work, cell and emergency.



- 2. Children are provided with toys at the Academy. Children should never bring guns, sharp objects, mouth toys or other small pocket toys to the Academy. The Academy cannot be responsible for toys that are lost, broken or damaged at the Academy; therefore, please do not allow them to bring toys from home.
- 3. One security toy or stuffed animal per child is allowed. The toy must be placed in the child's cubby and may be taken out for naptime only.
- 4. Books, recordings, special toys & other items of interest to the child's group may be brought with permission of the teacher. The child's name should always be on any item that is brought to the Academy.
- 5. Each child's birthday will be recognized at the Academy. If parents wish to bring a special snack and/or party accessories, arrangements should be made with the child's teacher in advance.
- 6. Parents of children enrolled in the Academy are invited to make suggestions for improving the service at any time. Suggestions should be made in writing to the Director. Each suggestion will be taken into consideration, but please understand that all suggestions may not be possible to implement.
- 7. Parents should contact their child's teacher for information about the daily schedule and the child's progress, adjustment, behavior, etc.
- 8. Classes start promptly at 9:00 am. Children should not be brought in late as it poses a problem by disrupting the class lesson time. Please take your child to the classroom & leave immediately. Taking up the teacher's time takes away from the other students. You may call for a conference if you need to speak with your child's teacher. If it is a small issue, please send a note.
- 9. Please know that the Academy is very strict about our pick-up policies. We check identification on any parent or relative picking up your child that is not recognized by the person tending to the secured doors. D.H.R. now requires that we photo copy the driver's license of any unfamiliar person that picks up your child.
- 10. Please be sure that a dated and signed note is delivered to the Academy (prior to the pick-up day) if a person other than those



on your pick-up list will be picking up your child. Neither a telephone call nor a fax for this purpose is allowed.

- 11. School and curriculum supplies, naptime necessities and a change of clothes should be brought in on the first day of enrollment and replenished at the teacher's discretion.
- 12. If any problem arises throughout the Academy, please handle it with a Christian approach. Hostile attitudes will not be tolerated. If there is conflict between children, you will only be allowed to address the problem with your child. The other child or children and their parents will be addressed by the Director. Not adhering to this policy will result in your child's termination from the center.
- 13. Alabama State Law prohibits smoking, tobacco products, alcohol, nonprescription narcotic usage or possession of illegal substances any-where on school premises. Cigarettes are to be extinguished & left in your automobile. This includes all parents, guardians & employees.

## **Release of Liability**

As the undersigned adult I affirm that I am the parent and/or legal guardian of the \_\_\_\_\_\_ (child). I hereby grant permission for \_\_\_\_\_\_(child) to participate in the activities/ classes that are conducted, in whole or in part by AGAPE KINGDOM CARE. In consideration of

(child) being permitted to participate in the activities/classes I hereby release and hold harmless AGAPE KINGDOM CARE, its officers, directors, employees, agents, representatives, and volunteers from any and all liability for any resulting damage or injury that

(child) may incur. I understand that this Release and Waiver of Liability applies to all activities/classes and that some activities involving movement carry with them a higher risk for injury.



I agree to be held responsible for \_\_\_\_\_\_(child) behavior and actions and release AGAPE KINGDOM CARE from any liability for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_(child) actions, in the event that such actions or behavior causes damage or injury to property or person. I acknowledge that AGAPE KINGDOM CARE reserves the right to restrict \_\_\_\_\_\_(child) involvement in any activity/class in whole or in part. I further acknowledge that AGAPE KINGDOM CARE reserves the right to send a child

home from any activity /class in which the child has violated rules or put other children in danger.

Signature (Mother)	Date	Director Demita L. Walton	Date
Printed Name	_		
Signature (Father)	Date	Pastor Eric Harris	Date
Printed Name	_		
	<u>Get Acc</u>	quainted Record	
My nickname is:			
I have brothers &	sisters, their name	s and ages are:	
My favorite activity is:			
My favorite food is:			
My least favorite food is:			
My favorite person is:			

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My favorite toy is:
I am afraid of:
I can do all these things by myself:
Why are you looking for a new childcare arrangement?
Has your child had previous day care experience?
What type of discipline is used at home?
Does your child eat unaided? Does he/she enjoy eating?
Does your child have a special diet?
Due to your child's tastes, allergies, reactions, and/or religious beliefs,
are there any foods, which should not be served to your child?
Please list these foods:
How does your child go to sleep?
Are there any special dolls or toys he/she needs in order to go to sleep?
What is the usual time and length of naps taken each day?
How long does he/she usually sleep at night?
Please list any personal habits, thumb sucking, nail biting, etc
and/or specific words used to describe bodily functions or objects:
What are your main expectations