



Precious Kargo Academy Welcome Letter

Welcome to Precious Kargo Academy Preschool! The first day of school is an exciting milestone in your child's life. Your child is embarking on a journey that will lead them on many roads of discovery and learning. As wonderful as this new experience may be, it can also be quite stressful for the young child. New situations and change can, at times, be unsettling for all of us. For many children, this may be their first experience of separation from parents or caregivers at home. It is common for even the most outgoing child to be anxious the first day of school.

We have provided a few suggestions for assisting your child during this time. Remember, the preschool staff will be available to provide support and assistance, making your child's first school days happy days.

- Prepare your child for the new school experience by explaining what to expect. Answer all questions directly and honestly.
- Convey a positive attitude. Young children are aware of your feelings. Your enthusiasm will assure the child that school can be a fun and exciting place.
- Establish a routine involving both the night before a school day, as well as, morning preparation. Rituals and routings will add predictability and are comforting in unfamiliar situations.
- Bring something from home. This is acceptable and often reassuring in helping the child with the initial adjustment to school. This item may be a treasured blanket or even a photo from home.
- Clearly state to your child where you will be and when you will return. It may also be helpful to discuss what will happen when you are reunited.
- Maintain a clear goodbye routine. This may include warning the child you are leaving in 3 minutes, a kiss and a hug or a wave from the window. Once you tell your child you are leaving, it is important to follow through. Extending the goodbye with, "ok, just one more kiss and then I really have to go" tends to heighten anxiety rather than relieve it. Avoid sneaking out, as this seems to encourage children to become less trusting and makes the second day of school even harder.

Again, please know we are here to help make the first day of school a happy transition and we look forward to an exciting and fun year. Welcome!

Sincerely, Tara Franklin



ADMISSION INFORMATION

Purpose: Use this form to collect all required information about a child enrolling in day care.

Directions: The day care provider gives this form to the child's parent or guardian. The parent or guardian completes the form in its entirety and returns it to the day care provider before the child's first day of enrollment. The day care provider keeps the form on file at the child care facility.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Operation's Name:		Director's Name:	
Child's Full Name:		Child's Date of Birth:	Child Lives With: <input type="checkbox"/> Both parents <input type="checkbox"/> Mom <input type="checkbox"/> Dad <input type="checkbox"/> Guardian
Child's Home Address:			
Date of Admission:		Date of Withdrawal:	
Name of Parent or Guardian Completing Form:		Address of Parent or Guardian (if different from the child's):	
List telephone numbers below where parents/guardian may be reached while child is in care.			
Parent 1 Telephone No.	Parent 2 Telephone No.	Guardian's Telephone No.	Custody Documents on File: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Give the name, address, and phone number of the responsible individual to call in case of an emergency if parents/guardian cannot be reached:			Relationship:
I authorize the child care operation to release my child to leave the child care operation ONLY with the following persons. Please list name and telephone number for each. Children will only be released to a parent or guardian or to a person designated by the parent/guardian after verification of ID.			
Name and Phone Number:	Name and Phone Number:	Name and Phone Number:	

CONSENT INFORMATION

CHECK ALL THAT APPLY:
1. TRANSPORTATION I give consent for my child to be transported and supervised by the operation's employees: <input type="checkbox"/> for emergency care <input type="checkbox"/> on field trips <input type="checkbox"/> to and from home <input type="checkbox"/> to and from school
2. FIELD TRIPS <input type="checkbox"/> I give consent for my child to participate in field trips. <input type="checkbox"/> I do not give consent for my child to participate in field trips.
Comments:
3. WATER ACTIVITIES I give consent for my child to participate in the following water activities: <input type="checkbox"/> water table play <input type="checkbox"/> sprinkler play <input type="checkbox"/> splashing/wading pools <input type="checkbox"/> swimming pools <input type="checkbox"/> aquatic playgrounds

CONSENT INFORMATION

CHECK ALL THAT APPLY:

4. RECEIPT OF WRITTEN OPERATIONAL POLICIES

I acknowledge receipt of the facility's operational policies, including those for:

<input type="checkbox"/> Discipline and guidance	<input type="checkbox"/> Procedures for release of children
<input type="checkbox"/> Suspension and expulsion	<input type="checkbox"/> Illness and exclusion criteria
<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency plans	<input type="checkbox"/> Procedures for dispensing medications
<input type="checkbox"/> Procedures for conducting health checks	<input type="checkbox"/> Immunization requirements for children
<input type="checkbox"/> Safe sleep	<input type="checkbox"/> Meals and food service practices
<input type="checkbox"/> Procedures for parents to discuss concerns with the director	<input type="checkbox"/> Procedures to visit the center without securing prior approval
<input type="checkbox"/> Procedures for parents to participate in operation activities	<input type="checkbox"/> Procedures for parents to contact Child Care Licensing, DFPS, Child Abuse Hotline, and DFPS website

5. MEALS

I understand that the following meals will be served to my child while in care:

None Breakfast Morning snack Lunch Afternoon snack Supper Evening snack

6. DAYS AND TIMES IN CARE

My child is normally in care on the following days and times:

Day of the Week	AM	PM
Monday		
Tuesday		
Wednesday		
Thursday		
Friday		
Saturday		
Sunday		

AUTHORIZATION FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL ATTENTION

In the event I cannot be reached to make arrangements for emergency medical care, I authorize the person in charge to take my child to:

Name of Physician:	Address:	Phone Number:
Name of Emergency Care Facility:	Address:	Phone Number:
I give consent for the facility to secure any and all necessary emergency medical care for my child.		Signature - Parent or Legal Guardian

CHILD'S ADDITIONAL INFORMATION SECTION

List any special needs that your child may have, such as environmental allergies, food intolerances, existing illness, previous serious illness, injuries and hospitalizations during the past 12 months, any medication prescribed for long-term continuous use, and any other information which caregivers should be aware of:

Does your child have diagnosed food allergies? Yes No Plan submitted on:

Child day care operations are public accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), Title III. If you believe that such an operation may be practicing discrimination in violation of Title III, you may call the ADA Information Line at (800) 514-0301 (voice) or (800) 514-0383 (TTY).

Signature - Parent or Legal Guardian:

Date Signed:

SCHOOL AGE CHILDREN

My child attends the following school:

Name of School:

School Phone Number:

My child has permission to (check all that apply):

walk to or from school or home ride a bus be released to the care of his/her sibling under 18 years old

Authorized pick up/drop off locations other than the child's address:

ADMISSION REQUIREMENT

If your child does not attend pre-kindergarten or school away from the child care operation, one of the following must be presented when your child is admitted to the child care operation or within one week of admission.

Please check only one option:

1. HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONAL'S STATEMENT: I have examined the above named child within the past year and find that he or she is able to take part in the day care program.

Health Care Professional's Signature:

Date Signed:

2. A signed and dated copy of a health care professional's statement is attached.

3. Medical diagnosis and treatment conflict with the tenets and practices of a recognized religious organization, which I adhere to or am a member of. I have attached a signed and dated affidavit stating this.

4. My child has been examined within the past year by a health care professional and is able to participate in the day care program. Within 12 months of admission, I will obtain a health care professional's signed statement and submit it to the child care operation.

Name and Address of Health Care Professional:

Signature - Parent or Legal Guardian:

Date Signed:

REQUIREMENTS FOR EXCLUSION

- I have attached a signed and dated affidavit stating that I decline immunizations for reason of conscience, including religious belief, on the form described by Section 161.0041 Health and Safety Code submitted no later than the 90th day after the affidavit is notarized.
- I have attached a signed and dated affidavit stating that the vision or hearing screening conflicts with the tenets or practices of a church or religious denomination that I am an adherent or member of.

VISION EXAM RESULTS

R 20/	L 20/	<input type="checkbox"/> Pass	<input type="checkbox"/> Fail
Signature:		Date Signed:	

HEARING EXAM RESULTS

Ear	1000 Hz	2000 Hz	4000 Hz	Pass or Fail
Right				<input type="checkbox"/> Pass <input type="checkbox"/> Fail
Left				<input type="checkbox"/> Pass <input type="checkbox"/> Fail
Signature:			Date Signed:	

VACCINE INFORMATION

The following vaccines require multiple doses over time. Please provide the date your child received *each* dose.

Vaccine	Vaccine Schedule	Dates Child Received Vaccine
Hepatitis B	Birth (first dose) 1-2 months (second dose) 6-18 months (third dose)	
Rotavirus	2 months (first dose) 4 months (second dose) 6 months (third dose)	
Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis	2 months (first dose) 4 months (second dose) 6 months (third dose) 15-18 months (fourth dose) 4-6 years (fifth dose)	
Haemophilus Influenza Type B	2 months (first dose) 4 months (second dose) 6 months (third dose) 12-15 months (fourth dose)	

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Pneumococcal	2 months (first dose) 4 months (second dose) 6 months (third dose) 12-15 months (fourth dose)	
Inactivated Poliovirus	2 months (first dose) 4 months (second dose) 6-18 months (third dose) 4-6 years (fourth dose)	
Influenza	Yearly, starting at 6 months. Two doses given at least four weeks apart are recommended for children who are getting the vaccine for the first time and for some other children in this age group.	
Measles, Mumps, Rubella	12-15 months (first dose) 4-6 years (second dose)	
Varicella	12-15 months (first dose) 4-6 years (second dose)	
Hepatitis A	12-23 months (first dose) The second dose should be given 6 to 18 months after the first dose.	

PHYSICIAN OR PUBLIC HEALTH PERSONNEL VERIFICATION

Signature or stamp of a physician or public health personnel verifying immunization information above:

Signature :	Date Signed:
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VARICELLA (CHICKENPOX)

Varicella (chickenpox) vaccine is not required if your child has had chickenpox disease. If your child has had chickenpox, please complete the statement: My child had varicella disease (chickenpox) on or about (date) and does not need varicella vaccine.

Parent's Signature:	Date Signed:
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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING IMMUNIZATIONS

For additional information regarding immunizations, visit the Texas Department of State Health Services' website at www.dshs.state.tx.us/immunize/public.shtm.

TB TEST (IF REQUIRED)

<input type="checkbox"/> Positive	<input type="checkbox"/> Negative	Date:
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GANG FREE ZONE

Under the Texas Penal Code, any area within 1,000 feet of a child care center is a gang-free zone, where criminal offenses related to organized criminal activity are subject to harsher penalties.

PRIVACY STATEMENT

DFPS values your privacy. For more information, read our Privacy and Security Policy online at <http://www.dfps.state.tx.us/policies/privacy.asp>.

SIGNATURES

Child's Parent or Legal Guardian: X	Date Signed:
Center Designee: X	Date Signed: