

Dear Parents.

During these unprecedented times, the goal of the Worth Park District's Preschool Program is to provide a safe and quality environment for all participants. We will continue to follow the safety guidelines recommended by the CDC and IDPH. Constant handwashing will be enforced at the beginning and end of preschool along with during the day as well. Each child will be required to bring and wear a mask during class. There will be a \$5 fee for the mask we provide if the child doesn't have one. Children will always be required to wear a mask except during outside play time and snack time. Children are also required to follow the social distancing guidelines as well. We understand that it may be difficult for a 3 or 4-year-old to understand these guidelines and this is why we are only excepting up to 13 participants per class to help with these guidelines.

Parent's will be asked to provide their child with a small snack and drink for them to eat when we have snack time. Snack will be approximately at 11 am every day and 2:30 pm for the afternoon class. Snacks need to be brought in a disposable bag. Everything will be thrown away after snack time, the only exception is a reusable water bottle. Please do not send your child with any lunchboxes or backpacks. They will be handed back to you during school drop off. We are only accepting disposable bags currently.

Drop off will take place in the back of the building by Kennelly Park. Please park in the spaces either near the park or the front of the building and walk your child up to the back-park door. A staff member will be at the door no earlier than 9am to take your child inside. **Parents are NOT allowed in the building to drop off or pick up their child.** If you are running late please call 708-448-7080 and we will open the back-park door when you get here. When dropping off your child please wear a mask, it is for the protection of you and our staff members, also please use social distancing guidelines when approaching the door to drop off your children. You will be asked a series of questions every morning regarding COVID-19 and exposure. Please note that drop off will take a little more time than usual and we appreciate your understanding and patience during this time.

Please call the Front office if your child needs to be picked up early. Pick-up will take place at the back door to Kennelly Park (same as drop off). Parents will wait by the door until staff arrives with your child. Please use social distancing guidelines and wear a mask when picking up your child. Your child will not be released to anyone not listed on the Registration Form. If someone other than the persons listed on the Registration Form will be picking up your child, the emergency form needs to be updated in person or in written format.

School supplies can be dropped off with your child on their first day of school. Please remember that there are no personal items allowed with your child such as backpacks, toys, or any other personal items. You should only send your child with a disposable snack, water bottle and mask every day.

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to reach out to Coni Ryan, Preschool Coordinator at 708-448-7080 ext. 103 or Kara Jelderks, Superintendent of Recreation at 708-448-7080 ext. 109. Or email us at <a href="mailto:cryan@worthparkdistrict.org">cryan@worthparkdistrict.org</a> or <a href="mailto:kjelderks@worthparkdistrict.org">kjelderks@worthparkdistrict.org</a>

We are excited to see your child and get this unusually different but FUN school year started!

Coni Ryan Kara Jelderks

Preschool Coordinator Superintendent of Recreation

