



**TYKES AND TOTS EARLY
LEARNING CENTRE INC.**

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*Providing a nurturing
environment where children can
grow through educational play.*

TYKES AND TOTS COVID POLICY FOR FOREST SCHOOL EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 2020

Tykes and Tots will follow all guidelines as set out by Public Health with regards to safe practices regarding the COVID pandemic. Public Health changes guidelines periodically as the situation evolves. Tykes and Tots will release any updates of this policy as necessary to meet Public Health requirements. The link to the current Public Health requirements for childcare facilities is as follows:

<https://www.saskatchewan.ca/government/health-care-administration-and-provider-resources/treatment-procedures-and-guidelines/emerging-public-health-issues/2019-novel-coronavirus/re-open-saskatchewan-plan/re-open-saskatchewan>

Illness and absences for children:

Children are not allowed to attend the program if they develop any new symptoms of illness. Parents should monitor their children daily for symptoms (please see the Saskatchewan Self Assessment for a list of symptoms). Should symptoms develop in your child, please inform the Program Supervisor and call 811. Children are not allowed to return to care until 48 hours symptom free or until cleared by 811 or a doctor. Tykes and Tots will not issue any refunds or reductions in fees for absences due to illness. Please note that children can potentially be away from care for a week or more – depending on the illness and guidance from 811.

Illness and absences for staff:

Staff members are not allowed to be at the program if they develop any new symptoms of illness. Staff members should self-monitor daily for symptoms (please see the Saskatoon Self Assessment for a list of symptoms). Staff members are not allowed to return to care until 48 hours symptom free or until cleared by 811 or a doctor.

Potential program closure:

If a child/family member/staff member tests positive for COVID, Tykes and Tots will follow the recommendations of Public Health. This may range from having staff and families self-monitor to closing the program. In the event of a closure, every effort will be made to reschedule the closed days. Rescheduling days also applies in the event of a staff shortage.

Policy Updates and Changes:

As the COVID situation changes and evolves, this policy will be updated to reflect those changes. Parents will be provided with a policy update via email and HiMama.