# **Justkidz**

(An Early Childhood Learning Center) www.justkidz.net



# **Parent Handbook**

### Mission Statement

'A balance of discipline and academic enrichment' is our goal at <u>JustKidz</u>. We offer children the opportunity to learn and grow in an environment that promotes self-confidence, discipline, social competence, and a lifetime of love for learning.

Justkidz is an independently owned and operated facility. It is not governed by Wake County School System policies and procedures, although we try to maintain parity wherever possible so students will have consistency as they graduate from Justkidz to WCPSS and other school systems.

## Application for registration

During the time of enrollment, you must pay a deposit of \$125. The check will NOT be processed if your child is NOT accepted into Justkidz

# **Right of Admission Reserved**

Justkidz reserves the right to refuse admission to anyone for any reason into the program.

### **Hours of Operation**

Center timings are 9.15am-12.15pm. If your pick up is any later than 12.30pm, \$10 will be charged in your following month invoice.

# **Monthly Tuition**

Tuition is payable before the date indicated on the invoice for each month in full, regardless of attendance, for the Full Month in advance, failing which a late fee of \$10 will be assessed. A check return fee of \$25 is payable if your check is returned by our bank for some reason.

### **Arrival and Pickup**

- Only authorized people can pick up / drop the child
- If pickup is delayed by more than 10 minutes, late pickup fee of \$10 will be assessed in your following month invoice.

## Schedule \*

9:15 - 9:30	Arrivals.
9:15 -9.45	Activity time.
9:45 - 10:15	Circle Time
10:30 - 10:45	Snack Time
10:45 - 11:15	Language Drill/ Craft Time
11:15 - 11:45	Whole class writing / lesson instruction (Preschool / Kindergarten Curriculum)
11:45 - 12:15	Activity Time/ Cleanup / small group work / Language Drill
12:15 - 12:30	Departures

# Clothing

Please bring your child dressed in clean clothes, ready for the day. Dress your child in clothing appropriate for the weather. Do not send your child in their Sunday best.

We give out ONE Justkidz T-shirt <u>during the first week of</u> the class, which the child has to wear to the class every <u>day</u>. If you need extra T-shirts, you can buy the same for \$12 each.

# **Emergency Procedures and First Aid**

**Minor accident**: Justkidz will provide First Aid for minor injuries and Parents will be notified immediately.

Serious Accident: In the event of a serious injury or illness, parents and the designated physician will be notified immediately. If parents cannot be reached, Justkidz will call an emergency-contact listed on your Emergency form. If the child requires immediate transport to the hospital, Justkidz will call an ambulance to take the child to the hospital and have the bills sent over to the Parents

# Illnesses and Accidents \*\*\*

- Justkidz insurance policy does NOT cover any communicable diseases that the student may contract, as such Justkidz will NOT be responsible for such an event.
- Justkidz ONLY accepts children in good health.
  You must notify us if your child has tested positive

- for COVID-19 or has been exposed to a Contagious Disease.
- Do NOT bring your child/ with fever over 100F, vomiting, diarrhea, unexplainable rash, head lice, nasal drainage or other obvious signs of illness.
- If your child is ill and receiving an antibiotic, s/he may not attend until s/he has been off the antibiotic for more than 48 hours.
- Children with fever, vomiting, or diarrhea <u>may not</u> <u>attend</u> until the fever is below normal and/or diarrhea / vomiting has abated for more than 8 consecutive hours, unaided by medication.
- If you cannot be reached in the event of an emergency / accident, your child will be transported to the doctor/hospital listed on your enrollment form.

## **Activities**

At **Circle Time**, we talk about lessons, themes, do show and tell, projects, sing nursery rhymes, read stories, etc. Encourage your child to speak up and help them come up with ideas and thoughts, relevant to the weekly theme.

**Show and Tell** activity must be connected to the weekly theme; make sure your child has a book/ art/craft/ picture to share with us in the class.

### Spanish, Music and Movement, Yoga

Justkidz offers Spanish, Music and Movement and Yoga as part of our curriculum as it gives an opportunity for the children to explore different facets of learning.

### **Toys and Candy**

Please **do not** send **toys**, **candy**, **or gum** with your child. We cannot assume responsibility for the loss or damage to your child's personal items.

## **Supplies**

Parents are expected to provide all the supplies from the supply list that will be provided. Please check with your student regularly to replenish any required supplies.

### **Special Occasions & Contributions**

We encourage parents to send snacks to share with their child's friends at least once a month. Please let us know in advance if you will be bringing in a treat to celebrate festivals or birthdays. Please note that some students may have allergy issues which should be respected.

# Regular Attendance

Regular attendance is advised for children to follow lessons. If your child will be late or absent, please notify us no later than 9:15am. If the child is tardy more than 3 times in a row, it will be considered as a behavioral issue and filed in the student's record.

#### Worksheets

- All material and worksheets provided by Justkidz are created by Justkidz and hence should be considered as proprietary in nature. It is unlawful to copy or distribute material for any reason.
- Justkidz will not hand over Work Folders if the child goes to an after-care facility after Justkidz hours.
- Worksheets need to be turned in for assessment every day.
- Worksheets are an extension of the lessons imparted at Justkidz. Hence, if the student is absent for some reason, s/he will NOT be handed any worksheets.

#### **Parent Communication**

You are welcome to stop by after the class for a quick chat to discuss any relevant subject. If you need to discuss the progress of your child or any situation in detail, please schedule an appointment. Also, regular news letters / emails will give you an insight into the class activities, special mentions, etc.

#### The Bulletin Board

The Bulletin Board is used to display theme-based material, vacation schedules, messages, weekly lesson plan, and other important information directed at parents. Please look out!

#### **News Letter**

We send weekly newsletter / emails to update you about what is happening in the class, themes, child's progress, interesting articles and individual progress.

### Discipline

Discipline improves, strengthens and helps a young child control his or her own actions. We must set an example for the child to follow. Have consistent guidelines for the child/ren, give positive re-enforcement, provide acceptable choices, set realistic limits, encourage a child to express feelings with words when they are able to, and listen carefully to what our child/ren are saying to us. Discipline and guidance should nurture

love, patience and concern; resulting in a secure child with high self-esteem and positive self-image. Please inform us of the discipline method **you** most prefer so we can work together.

### **Pictures**

We will take pictures throughout the year to share with currently enrolled families.

## **Child Vacation Policy**

For more than **3 vacation days**, please use the <u>Child-Vacation-Form on JustKidz.net to give at least a **2 week notice**. If the child is going on vacation for more than <u>3 weeks a vacation form has to be submitted **2 weeks** in advance. Tuition will NOT be pro-rated for any vacation days.</u></u>

## **Unscheduled Center Vacation**

Justkidz vacation schedule will be published in the Justkidz Academic Calendar. In the event of an emergency, we will post vacation information on the website and parents will be informed via email so they can make alternate arrangements

#### Termination

You must give **4** weeks' notice before termination from Justkidz. You will be responsible for all final payments through the end of the month.

Justkidz reserves the right to terminate a student on any grounds including behavior, discipline or academic performance

#### Records

- You are required to share a copy of your child's current immunization record with Justkidz.
- You must keep your child current on all required immunizations and update records accordingly.

# **Volunteering / Parent Involvement**

Take at least 20 minutes every week and join us with either a story or a craft which you can bring in to share with the class. This will give a first-hand look into how your child is doing in the class.

Justkidz welcomes any parent who wishes to share their talents by helping with various projects to benefit the children at Justkidz.

#### Consent

I/We have read, understand, and by signing and returning this page do agree to the policies stated in this handbook.

I/We understand that should there be updates to this handbook, I/We will be given a copy with updated information which I/We will fill out, sign and return to **Justkidz** promptly.

Child's N	ame:	
Signed _	(Mother or guardian)	_ Date:
Signed _	(Father or guardian)	_ Date:
Signed _	(Justkidz Administrator)	_ Date: