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The Providence Public School District (PPSD) provides education to children who live in the city of Providence and are 3 to 5 years of age. Our district offers the following free early childhood education opportunities:

_____ which accommodates children who are 4 years old by September 1st.

_____ are services where special educators go into the community to support area preschools in accommodating the needs of students with Individual Education Programs (IEPs) and their families.

_____ are integrated preschool classrooms designed primarily for preschool children with disabilities to have an opportunity to be integrated with children that do not have Individualized Education Plans (IEP's). The maximum class size is no more than 15 students, with less than 50% of the children identified with a disability.

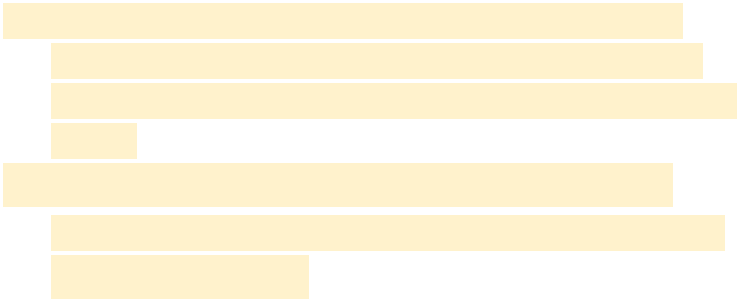
_____ are provided for children having disabilities and who have been identified needing such services by the IEP team.

A current up-to-date physical examination and immunization records are required in order for your child to attend any district program.



A copy of your child's physical health examination is required of all students upon school entry. Please have your family health care provider complete the School Physical Form and return it to the school nurse-teacher at the school of attendance.

The immunization regulations of the Rhode Island State Department of Health in accordance with the provisions of Title



- Medicine is dispensed at the school

subject to the following conditions:

Written permission will authorize the nurse to dispense medicine. A doctor's order needs to accompany the prescribed medicine for the child.

The medicine is provided in its original container that clearly states the child's full name and the prescribed dosage.

Medicine is kept in a secure place and is only dispensed by the school nurse. Medicine may not be kept in a student's lunch box.

In case of any emergency, the parent/guardian will be called first. If a parent cannot be reached, then



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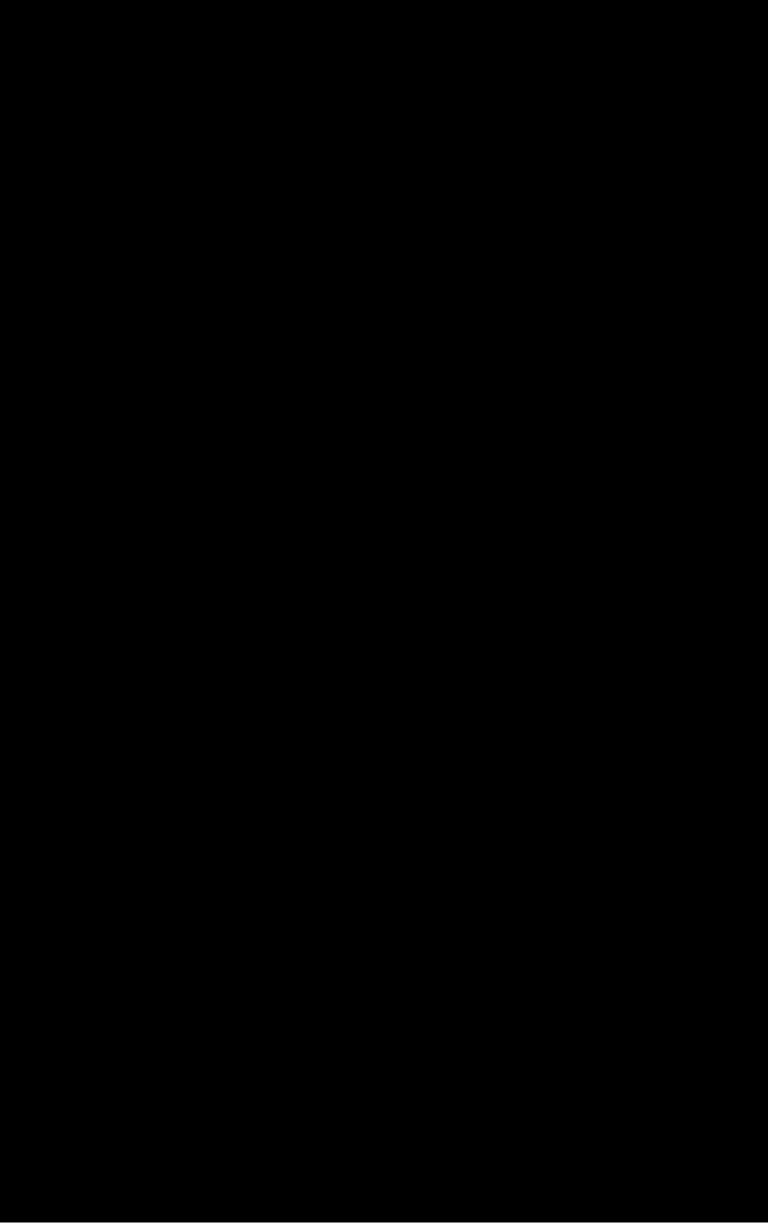
entire time daily. Children who skip activities because of the arrival often "miss out" on important skills or services. Also, if children arrive late or leave early, it is a disruption for the others who are focused on their work or are in the middle of a group. Establishing routines with children, helps them feel safe.

All children who are late must be brought to the main office, where they will receive a late slip. If you are late to school, a family member is required to walk them to school and sign them in. No child can be dismissed, for any reason, except a family member or designated adult listed on the child's emergency form. Positive Identification must be presented at the office before a child can be dismissed.

Regularly: Enrolled children are required to regularly attend in order to maintain their enrollment slot. Children are expected to be in school unless illness or family emergency keeps them from attending. On the day the child is absent, a family member should notify the school by phone by 9:00 AM. Upon returning to school, the family must provide a written note with date/dates and reason for the absences.

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1. Personal illness (program may require doctor's note or absence or evidence of a doctor's visit after 5 days)
2. Quarantine under the direction of a health officer
3. Personal medical, dental, optometric or chiropractic appointment.
4. Funeral services for a member of the immediate family
5. Observance of a religious holiday or ceremony
6. Documentation of required services (court, visitation, special education interventions, etc.)



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There are also monthly, school based and classroom based, bulletin boards newsletters, and written announcements that include monthly engagement activities as well as all pertinent information regarding your child's learning.

When health conditions return to normal, families will be welcome to contribute to their child's education through in person visits. Families may ~~M, My~~ contact their child's teacher with concerns and questions. Your child's teacher and school personnel will inform you of the many ways you can communicate with them throughout the school year.

When health conditions return to normal, the Providence Public Schools Preschool Program appreciates volunteer efforts in our schools and classrooms. Parents, college students, senior citizens, politicians, business representatives, and community members are important sources of support and expertise that enrich the instructional program, assist teachers, and connect the student body with the community. All volunteers would have to obtain a local criminal background check, BCI, and apply through VIPS (Volunteers In Providence Program) .

All families of early childhood students are encouraged to join the school's Parent Teacher Organization & School Improvement Teams ~~to~~ participate and advise program leadership decision making opportunities.

Families will be encouraged to participate in an annual survey about their child's program.

The Providence Schools Early Childhood Preschool Program maintains confidential information ^{SC}

Children always need to feel safe and loved to be able to learn. Parents and teachers always need to work together to communicate and build a trust and partnership that will set the stage for successful educational experiences.

School_

We are a team but you are the most important member of your child's team. Thank you for getting them to school every day as consistency and routines help your child feel safe and comfortable as they know what to expect. Thank you for all your support and communication. Together we will help your child do their best.

I _ have read and understand all of the information in this handbook.

I will do my best to be sure that my child attends school every day,

on time.

I will communicate with my child's teacher so that we can work together to support my child.

Parent

Signature Date_

Child Name Age_

Classroom Teacher_