



Preschool Welcome Letter

2014-2015 School Year

Welcome to the Y of Central Maryland. We are delighted that you have chosen to enroll your child in our program. **Our curriculum-based program is rated parent's number one choice in preschool programs.** Here are some helpful hints that should get your child off to a great start:

1. The following information must be completed and submitted to the Director **prior** to your child's first day:
 - Registration Form w/Registration Fee
 - Emergency Card
 - Enrollment/Liability Release
 - Allergy Emergency Care Plan
 - Swim Permission Slip (*if applicable*)
 - Payment for Two Weeks of Care
 - Registration Agreement
 - Financial Issues Statement
 - Immunization Record
 - New Health Inventory Form w/Lead Addendum
2. Please contact the billing department at 443-322-8000 to ensure that you understand our tuition requirements and other financial issues **prior** to your child's first day.
3. Tuition payments are due every Friday. Payments can be made online, over the phone, via EFT (electronic funds transfer), check, or money order and should be made out to the Y. **A late charge of \$25 will be applied to any account not paid in full by the due date.**
4. On your child's first day, please bring the following items labeled with your child's name:
 - Quiet time bedding (*crib-sized sheet, travel-size pillow, small blanket – stored in a pillow case*)
 - Diapers and wipes (*if child is not yet potty trained*)
 - Sweater-sized plastic box/lid or Ziploc bag with a complete change of clothing inside
 - A nutritious packed lunch (*with nothing to heat up please*) if applicable
 - Swim suit, towel, and sandals packed in a canvas bag for swim or water play days
 - Composition book
5. Your child will be assigned a cubby and a mailbox. When you drop off your child, please sign them in, put their belongings in their cubby, and escort them to their classroom. When you pick your child up, please sign them out, collect their items from their cubby, and check their mailbox for information/projects to be sent home.
6. In each classroom you will find a parent board with information on our snack menu, curriculum, lesson plans, and daily routines.
7. Please do not bring toys from home into the center. We provide plenty of activities for your child to enjoy.

Thanks again for enrolling your child in our program. Please contact us if you have any questions or concerns.



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2014-2015 Student Registration Form

Office Use Only:

Start Date: _____ Class: _____

Amt Owed: _____ Amt Paid: _____

☐ Teacher Notified Initials: _____

Student's Name _____ Date of Birth _____ Gender _____

Parent/Guardian #1 _____ Parent/Guardian #2 _____

Address _____ Address _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____ Work Phone _____ Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____ Work Phone _____

Email _____ Email _____

Allergies (must complete an Allergy Action Plan): _____

Does your child require any special accommodations or a lower child/staff ratio than what MSDE OCC mandates? If yes, this office will contact you prior to enrollment. ☐ Yes ☐ No

Demographic Information (Optional)

Race	<input type="checkbox"/> Black/African American	<input type="checkbox"/> Asian	<input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic/Latino	<input type="checkbox"/> Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	<input type="checkbox"/> American Indian/Native American	<input type="checkbox"/> White/Caucasian	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
Household Income	<input type="checkbox"/> \$0-\$15,000	<input type="checkbox"/> \$15,001-\$24,999	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25,000-\$39,999	<input type="checkbox"/> \$40,000-\$74,000	<input type="checkbox"/> \$74,001-\$99,999	<input type="checkbox"/> \$100,000+	

Enrollment Options

Please note that each enrollment option is subject to availability. Fees are weekly unless otherwise noted. Service begins on Monday, August 25, 2014. Rates are effective as of August 15, 2014. Tuition rates for those with an active Y Full Family Memberships are shaded.

Registration Fee:

Non-refundable

\$80.00



2-Week Advance Payment:

\$ _____



Total Due:

\$ _____

All required paperwork is due at least 3 business days prior to your child's start date.

Classroom	Full Time Member Rate	Full Time Open Rate
Room 1: Sea Turtles (Twos)	\$205	\$215
Room 2: Green Frogs (Twos/Threes)	\$205	\$215
Room 3: Busy Bees (Threes)	\$190	\$200
Room 4: Red Robins (Fours)	\$180	\$190
Room 5: Blue Whales (PreK)	\$180	\$190

Enrollment Modifications: _____

Permissions: (Please make a selection for each)

I give the Y Preschool permission to take photographs of my child. Please indicate whether you consent to internal sharing of the photographs, external (marketing) sharing of the photographs, both, or none.

I give the Y Preschool permission to apply sunscreen to my child. I understand that I am to provide sunscreen for my child labeled with my child's name.

I give the Y Preschool permission to use diapers, wipes, rash ointments, and other creams on my child, which I understand I am to provide labeled with my child's name.

I give the Y Preschool permission to allow my child to sleep on a crib/cot during rest time.

I give the Y Preschool permission to transport my child for emergency purposes.

I am aware that the "Parent's Guide to Regulated Child Care" is located on the Y Preschool Parent Information Board and that I may request a copy of it from the preschool director or I can find this document at www.marylandpublicschools.org/MSDE?division?Child_care/Child_care.html.

INTERNAL EXTERNAL BOTH NONE

YES NO

YES NO

YES NO

YES NO

YES NO

I have read and understand all of the statements shown above.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Date _____

Director/Admin. Signature _____

Date _____



Preschool Registration Agreement

2014-2015 School Year

Child's Name _____ Date of Birth: _____

Parent/Guardian Name _____

Please review the following information to ensure that you understand your responsibilities in enrolling your child in the Y Preschool Program. This signed agreement will be placed in your child's file and a copy provided for your records upon request.

1. I agree to pay a non-refundable registration fee at the time of enrollment. I also agree to pay for the sum of two week's tuition in advance. I understand that in order to continue my child's enrollment, each year I must pay an annual non-refundable program and curriculum fee.____(initial)
2. I understand that tuition is due every Friday. I understand that care may be terminated if my account is past due. A late charge of \$25.00 will be applied to any account not paid in full by the due date. Tuition prices are subject to change. Only those with an active full family Y membership are eligible for the tuition member rates.____(initial)
3. I have received a copy of the Financial Issues Statement, which explains payment policies, registration fees, tuition fees, change in care, late fees, late pick-up fees, vacation credits, and financial assistance. I have also received a Holiday Schedule and understand that payment is due for Holiday closings, sick days, emergency closings, and other absences.____(initial)
4. I understand that all changes in scheduled care must be made in writing through the Center Office at least two weeks in advance. Verbal notifications of changes or withdrawals cannot be accepted. There is a \$10 processing fee for refunds and changes in care.____(initial)
5. I understand that my child must be escorted by an adult (18 years or older) to a Y staff member in the center. The adult must also sign the in/out roster to ensure that this safety regulation is enforced.____(initial)
6. I understand that it is my responsibility to notify the center staff of any family/medical information pertinent to my child's health, safety and well-being; and to provide updated medical records as necessary. Additionally, I will keep work and emergency contact and phone numbers up-to-date.____(initial)
7. If there are any custody issues, I will provide a court order indicating who is the custodial parent/guardian and the names of anyone in which the staff should NOT release the child. I understand that there is one account for each family. If the account is outstanding, regardless of whose responsibility it is to make payment, then care may be suspended or terminated. I understand that I must communicate with the other parent in regards to information on the care and education of my child and refrain from placing Y staff in the middle of any custody issues. Failure to do so could result in termination of care.____(initial)
8. I understand that if my child is having problems adjusting to the program, a conference will be arranged between the staff and myself.____(initial)
9. I understand that I may be asked to withdraw my child from the program if their behavior threatens their own safety and/or health, or that of other children and staff in the Center. If possible, a two-week period will be allowed for parents to make alternative care arrangements. For more serious offenses, I understand that I may be called immediately to pick up my child and he/she may be suspended or expelled from care without prior warnings. Some examples of this include, but are not limited to: disrupting the classroom setting, hitting, punching, kicking, or biting another student or teacher. Credit is not issued for days of suspension.____(initial)
10. I understand that care may be terminated if my behavior does not fit within the core values of the Y; if I do not follow Y policies; or if I become aggressive toward any Y staff, parents, or children.____(initial)
11. If my child becomes ill or if a medical emergency arises, the staff will first attempt to contact me and I will be required to pick my child up within an hour of receiving the call. If I cannot be reached, emergency contacts and/or my child's doctor will be contacted.____(initial)

12. I understand that my child may not attend the program if they have any illness or condition that compromises the health of other children or staff. Health Department regulations regarding periods of infection will be enforced. I understand that my child must be symptom free (vomiting, fever, and diarrhea) for at least 24 hours before returning to the Center. Additionally, a doctor's release will be required in order for my child to return to the center after a contagious illness. I have reviewed the health policy as provided in the Y Parent Handbook, which explains the Maryland State Health Department's requirements on medication, periods of infection, attendance, and immunization.____(initial)
13. I understand that an alternate care plan must be made in advance for illness and emergency closings. I also understand that I am still required to pay should these situations arise.____(initial)
14. I understand that I must speak to the director in advance if I'd like to bring cupcakes to share with the class to recognize my child's birthday. I also understand that hats, balloons, presents, goody bags, horns, etc. are not allowed in the preschool as they cause distractions and possible safety risks to the children in care.____(initial)
15. I will not allow my child to bring in toys, money, books, jewelry, candy, or any other treasures from home. I understand that my child may only bring toys and books from home on specified 'show-n-tell' days.____(initial)
16. I give permission for my child to participate in walks within the grounds of the Center.____(initial)
17. I give permission for my child to participate in the Y instructional swim classes (if applicable)and water play days as part of the program.____(initial)
18. I give permission for my child to be transported by the use of Y buses (if applicable). I also understand that I will receive a permission slip to sign for any field trips off of the center grounds.____(initial)
19. If my child deliberately destroys Y (or school) property, I understand that I will be held responsible for the replacement cost of the property.____(initial)
20. I understand that my child may be exposed to classroom pets in the preschool center, including but not limited to fish, guinea pigs, hamsters, gerbils, rabbits, and other small animals.____(initial)
21. By signing this agreement, I acknowledge that I am the responsible party for payment of all fees and tuition.____(initial)
22. I understand that I must allow at least 5 business days for any paperwork requests.____(initial)
23. I have received and read a copy of the Y Parent Handbook.____(initial)

My signature indicates I have read and understand the Preschool Registration Agreement. I agree to read the Parent Handbook in its entirety and to comply with all policies and procedures stated within. I understand failure to adhere to these policies may result in termination from the program. I certify that my child is fully able to participate in this program. In case of voluntary withdrawal, or if my child is removed from care, I understand there will be no refund of tuition fees for the period covered.

Child's name:_____ Site:_____ Date:_____

Parent's name:_____ Date:_____

Parent's signature:_____ Date:_____



Preschool Financial Issues Statement

2014-2015 School Year

Child's Name _____ Date of Birth: _____

Parent/Guardian Name _____

The Y is a non-profit 501 (c)3 organization. Our rates are reflective of our actual costs in providing comprehensive, quality-based care. Please support our efforts to keep costs down by understanding our financial issues and adhering to the policies and procedures for these services.

Tuition Fees

Registration must be done each year and an annual registration fee must be paid. Payment for tuition is due every Friday. Only those with an active full family Y membership are eligible for discounted preschool tuition rates. Membership discounted rates are not applicable for complimentary membership offers.

Payment Policies

Payment can be made by check, money order, or credit card. Please put your child's name on the check or money order. We offer the option of having your credit card number on file and automatically charging it for each tuition payment - EFT (Electronic Funds Transfer) payment method, or you may pay online. Make check or money order payable to the Y of Central Maryland. Mail your payment to the Billing Office, or make payment at the membership desk at your local Y Health and Wellness Center. A receipt will be provided only upon request.

Late Payment Policy

A late charge of \$25 will be applied to any account not paid in full by the due date. If payment is late, then parents will receive either a note or a phone call concerning late payments and a date for termination of services if payment is not received. To avoid disruption of service, payment must be made in full by the final termination date; and you must provide receipt of payment to the center director or opening staff before your child will be admitted into care. Personal checks will not be accepted on delinquent accounts or if a personal check has been refused for payment (NSF-non sufficient funds) by our financial institution within the last 12 months.

Bad Checks

Checks that are returned for non-payment will not be re-deposited. An additional charge of \$25.00 will be charged for any returned checks. We will notify you by phone or letter of a Non-Sufficient Funds occurrence. The \$25.00 fee will be added to your next payment. Multiple returned checks may result in the Y not being able to accept personal checks for payments.

Change in Tuition

Tuition fees are subject to change. Written notice will be given in advance regarding such a change. If your child needs to have any changes in their enrollment, request must be made in writing two weeks in advance. Verbal changes cannot be accepted. There is a \$10.00 processing fee for refund or change in care requests.

Credits

There is no reduction in fees if a child is absent from the program or if the site is forced to close due to circumstances beyond our control. A vacation credit of one week per year (September through August) may be used if your child is absent for five consecutive days (Monday-Friday) for a family vacation. This credit only applies to those children that have been enrolled in the program full-time for at least 6 months or more. Written notice must be given at least two weeks in advance to use this credit. Notice should be given directly to the preschool director for approval and delivery to the billing office.

Late Pick-Up Charge

Late fees begin at the close of business and are assessed as follows: \$5.00 for the first five minutes and \$5.00 for each 5-minute period thereafter or fraction thereof. Parents who are late will be presented with a Late Charge Slip, and asked to sign/verify the late balance being assessed. Parents are responsible for paying the accrued late charges by the close of the next business day. (Regulations require that two staff members must stay at the center until every child is picked up. Staff who work overtime are required to be paid time and a half salary.) Please remember that late parents must call the center to inform the staff of the delay. Ten minutes after the close of business, emergency contacts will be notified to arrange pick-up of the child. If we can not reach either you or your emergency contacts to pick up your child, then we will contact Child Protective Services. Parents with excessive, unexcused, late pick-ups will be given notice to find alternate care.

Financial Assistance

Financial Assistance may be available to qualifying families. Verification of income is required and applications are renewed and reviewed on a quarterly basis. Applications are available from the business office.

I have read and understand the above.

Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____ Date: _____



Y of Central Maryland EFT Activity Authorization Form School Year 2014-2015

PRESCHOOL (Weekly, Fridays from Begin Date to 8/7/2015)

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Service Location: _____

BASE (Monthly, 1st day of month from Begin Date to 5/1/2015)

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Account information, please print:

Child's Name	_____	Phone (Home)	_____
Cardholder's Name	_____	Phone (Work)	_____
Member #	_____	Phone (Cell)	_____
Street Address	_____	Email receipts to:	_____
City, State, Zip	_____		

Payment information:

Billing Method (Circle one):	VISA MASTERCARD AMEX DISCOVER
Account Number:	_____
Expiration (Month/Year)	_____
Security code (back of card)	_____

Preschool - Begin Date: _____

Weekly Amount: \$ _____

BASE - Begin Date: _____

Monthly Amount: \$ _____

CREDIT CARD ELECTRONIC FUND TRANSFER AUTHORIZATION AND AGREEMENT

TO THE Y OF CENTRAL MARYLAND (herein referred to as the Y): I have given my authority to charge the above named credit/debit card for the activity payments indicated above. It is understood that the Y's transmission of the EFT to the card issuer as payment becomes due and shall constitute valid notice of such payment due on the above named activity. When the above named EFT is processed, such charge shall constitute my receipt for the payment. Should any EFT not be honored by the card issuer, it is understood that payment is to be made by me within three (3) days for the amount of said payment, PLUS a service fee of **\$25**. I understand that this authorization will remain in effect only until the dates noted above. If I choose to terminate the EFT authorization prior to paying my tuition in full, I understand I must initiate its termination by giving the Y 30 days written notice in advance of the date I wish the EFT to stop. Failure to give 30 days written termination notice will result in that month's charge being non-refundable, even in the event I am withdrawing my child from the Preschool/BASE program. I further understand that all credit/debit card information changes must be given to the Y with 30 days written notice in advance of the date I want the change to occur.

I understand that after two unpaid charges, the Y may immediately terminate this agreement and program enrollment until I have brought all payments up to date.

I acknowledge the terms of the transfer authorization and agreement as stated above:

Customer Name (print): _____

Customer Signature: _____

Date: _____

Preschool Online Payment Instruction Page

2014-2015 School Year

Online Payment Instructions

Please note: You do **NOT** have to have a PayPal account to make a payment online. There are 3 ways to pay:

1. Go to the following link: <http://ymaryland.org/preschool-headstart/preschool>. Select 'make payment'. Select 'program type' in the drop down box; type in child's first and last name; and type in child's program location. Then, select the 'Pay Now' button.
 - Type in the amount in the order summary and click "Update".
 - If you have a Paypal account, enter your Paypal login information and click "Pay Now to complete transaction using your debit, credit card, or checking account.
 - If you do not have a Paypal account, click "Don't have a Paypal account" and complete the required fields, including email address, phone number, and debit/credit card.
2. From a computer, use your existing Paypal account:
 - Click "Send Money"
 - Type in the "To" field: billing@ymaryland.org
 - Type in the amount and select "I'm paying for goods and services"
 - Select "no shipping required"
 - In the "Message (optional)" box, **enter the child(ren)'s name and program location to ensure your account is credited correctly and timely.**
3. From a mobile device, use your existing Paypal account:
 - Click "Send"
 - Type in the "To" field: billing@ymaryland.org
 - Type in the amount
 - In the Message box, **enter the child(ren)'s name and program location to ensure your account is credited correctly and timely**
 - Under "What's this payment for?", select the button for goods or services
 - Click "Review", then "Send"

Important note! Payments will be credited to your account the same day, but will not be reflected in our system until the following business day. A receipt will be sent to the primary email address on file; **please make sure this is current.** Also please note, **the online payment system cannot be used to secure your space in a Y program, only to pay an existing balance due.**

We encourage you to take advantage of the online payment option. However, should you need to speak with anyone from the Customer Billing department, please do not hesitate to call us at 443-322-8000. As always, billing questions, forms, and scanned documents can all be directed to our team by emailing billing@ymaryland.org.

Preschool Payment Due Dates 2014-2015 School Year

For the weeks of...

Payment is due...

1	Monday, August 25, 2014	-----	Friday, August 15, 2014
2	Monday, September 1, 2014	-----	Friday, August 22, 2014
3	Monday, September 8, 2014	-----	Friday, August 29, 2014
4	Monday, September 15, 2014	-----	Friday, September 5, 2014
5	Monday, September 22, 2014	-----	Friday, September 12, 2014
6	Monday, September 29, 2014	-----	Friday, September 19, 2014
7	Monday, October 6, 2014	-----	Friday, September 26, 2014
8	Monday, October 13, 2014	-----	Friday, October 3, 2014
9	Monday, October 20, 2014	-----	Friday, October 10, 2014
10	Monday, October 27, 2014	-----	Friday, October 17, 2014
11	Monday, November 3, 2014	-----	Friday, October 24, 2014
12	Monday, November 10, 2014	-----	Friday, October 31, 2014
13	Monday, November 17, 2014	-----	Friday, November 7, 2014
14	Monday, November 24, 2014	-----	Friday, November 14, 2014
15	Monday, December 1, 2014	-----	Friday, November 21, 2014
16	Monday, December 8, 2014	-----	Friday, November 28, 2014
17	Monday, December 15, 2014	-----	Friday, December 5, 2014
18	Monday, December 22, 2014	-----	Friday, December 12, 2014
19	Monday, December 29, 2014	-----	Friday, December 19, 2014
20	Monday, January 5, 2015	-----	Friday, December 26, 2014
21	Monday, January 12, 2015	-----	Friday, January 2, 2015
22	Monday, January 19, 2015	-----	Friday, January 9, 2015
23	Monday, January 26, 2015	-----	Friday, January 16, 2015
24	Monday, February 2, 2015	-----	Friday, January 23, 2015
25	Monday, February 9, 2015	-----	Friday, January 30, 2015
26	Monday, February 16, 2015	-----	Friday, February 6, 2015
27	Monday, February 23, 2015	-----	Friday, February 13, 2015
28	Monday, March 2, 2015	-----	Friday, February 20, 2015
29	Monday, March 9, 2015	-----	Friday, February 27, 2015
30	Monday, March 16, 2015	-----	Friday, March 6, 2015
31	Monday, March 23, 2015	-----	Friday, March 13, 2015
32	Monday, March 30, 2015	-----	Friday, March 20, 2015
33	Monday, April 6, 2015	-----	Friday, March 27, 2015
34	Monday, April 13, 2015	-----	Friday, April 3, 2015
35	Monday, April 20, 2015	-----	Friday, April 10, 2015
36	Monday, April 27, 2015	-----	Friday, April 17, 2015
37	Monday, May 4, 2015	-----	Friday, April 24, 2015
38	Monday, May 11, 2015	-----	Friday, May 1, 2015
39	Monday, May 18, 2015	-----	Friday, May 8, 2015
40	Monday, May 25, 2015	-----	Friday, May 15, 2015
41	Monday, June 1, 2015	-----	Friday, May 22, 2015
42	Monday, June 8, 2015	-----	Friday, May 29, 2015
43	Monday, June 15, 2015	-----	Friday, June 5, 2015
44	Monday, June 22, 2015	-----	Friday, June 12, 2015
45	Monday, June 29, 2015	-----	Friday, June 19, 2015
46	Monday, July 6, 2015	-----	Friday, June 26, 2015
47	Monday, July 13, 2015	-----	Friday, July 3, 2015
48	Monday, July 20, 2015	-----	Friday, July 10, 2015
49	Monday, July 27, 2015	-----	Friday, July 17, 2015
50	Monday, August 3, 2015	-----	Friday, July 24, 2015
51	Monday, August 10, 2015	-----	Friday, July 31, 2015
52	Monday, August 17, 2015	-----	Friday, August 7, 2015

EMERGENCY FORM

INSTRUCTIONS TO PARENTS:

- (1) Complete all items on this side of the form. Sign and date where indicated.
- (2) If your child has a medical condition which might require emergency medical care, complete the back side of the form. If necessary, have your child's health practitioner review that information.

NOTE: THIS ENTIRE FORM MUST BE UPDATED ANNUALLY.

Child's Name _____ Birth Date _____
Last First

Enrollment Date _____ Hours & Days of Expected Attendance _____

Child's Home Address _____
Street/Apt.# City State Zip Code

Parent/Guardian Name(s)	Relationship	Phone Number(s)		
		Place of Employment:	C:	H:
		W:		
		Place of Employment:	C:	H:
		W:		

Name of Person Authorized to Pick Up Child (daily) _____
Last First Relationship to Child
Address _____
Street/Apt.# City State Zip Code

Any Changes/Additional Information _____

ANNUAL UPDATES _____
(Initials/Date) (Initials/Date) (Initials/Date) (Initials/Date)

When parents/guardians cannot be reached, list at least one person who may be contacted to pick up the child in an emergency:

1. Name _____ Telephone (H) _____ (W) _____
Last First

Address _____
Street/Apt.# City State Zip Code

2. Name _____ Telephone (H) _____ (W) _____
Last First

Address _____
Street/Apt.# City State Zip Code

3. Name _____ Telephone (H) _____ (W) _____
Last First

Address _____
Street/Apt.# City State Zip Code

Child's Physician or Source of Health Care _____ Telephone _____

Address _____
Street/Apt.# City State Zip Code

In EMERGENCIES requiring immediate medical attention, your child will be taken to the NEAREST HOSPITAL EMERGENCY ROOM. Your signature authorizes the responsible person at the child care facility to have your child transported to that hospital.

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____ Date _____

INSTRUCTIONS TO PARENT/GUARDIAN:

- (1) Complete the following items, as appropriate, if your child has a condition(s) which might require emergency medical care.
- (2) If necessary, have your child's health practitioner review the information you provide below and sign and date where indicated.

Child's Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Medical Condition(s): _____

Medications currently being taken by your child: _____

Date of your child's last tetanus shot: _____

Allergies/Reactions: _____

EMERGENCY MEDICAL INSTRUCTIONS:

(1) Signs/symptoms to look for: _____

(2) If signs/symptoms appear, do this: _____

(3) To prevent incidents: _____

OTHER SPECIAL MEDICAL PROCEDURES THAT MAY BE NEEDED: _____

COMMENTS: _____

Note to Health Practitioner:

If you have reviewed the above information, please complete the following:

Name of Health Practitioner

Date

Signature of Health Practitioner

(_____)_____
Telephone Number

MARYLAND STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
Office of Child Care

HEALTH INVENTORY

Information and Instructions for Parents/Guardians

REQUIRED INFORMATION

The following information is required prior to a child attending a Maryland State Department of Education licensed, registered or approved child care or nursery school:

- **A physical examination** by a physician or certified nurse practitioner completed no more than twelve months prior to attending child care. A Physical Examination form designated by the Maryland State Department of Education and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene shall be used to meet this requirement (See COMAR 13A.15.03.02, 13A.16.03.02 and 13A.17.03.02).
- **Evidence of immunizations.** A Maryland Immunization Certification form for newly enrolling children may be obtained from the local health department or from school personnel. The immunization certification form (DHMH 896) or a printed or a computer generated immunization record form and the required immunizations must be completed before a child may attend. This form can be found at: http://ideha.dhmh.maryland.gov/IMMUN/pdf/896_form.pdf
- **Evidence of Blood-Lead Testing for children living in designated at risk areas.** The blood-lead testing certificate (DHMH 4620) (or another written document signed by a Health Care Practitioner) shall be used to meet this requirement. This form can be found at: <http://apps.fcps.org/dept/health/MarylandDHMHBloodLeadTestingCertificateDHMH4620.pdf>

EXEMPTIONS

Exemptions from a physical examination, immunizations and Blood-Lead testing are permitted if the family has an objection based on their religious beliefs and practices. The Blood-Lead certificate must be signed by a Health Care Practitioner stating a questionnaire was done.

Children may also be exempted from immunization requirements if a physician, nurse practitioner or health department official certifies that there is a medical reason for the child not to receive a vaccine.

The health information on this form will be available only to those health and child care provider or child care personnel who have a legitimate care responsibility for your child.

INSTRUCTIONS

Please complete Part I of this Physical Examination form. Part II must be completed by a physician or nurse practitioner, or a copy of your child's physical examination must be attached to this form.

If your child requires medication to be administered during child care hours, you must have the physician complete a Medication Authorization Form (OCC 1216) for each medication. The Medication Authorization Form can be obtained at

http://www.marylandpublicschools.org/NR/rdonlyres/B0050A99-6B3C-4396-A996-CC9405971A42/36556/1216_MedAuth_073013.pdf

If you do not have access to a physician or nurse practitioner or if your child requires an individualized health care plan, contact your local Health Department.

PART I - HEALTH ASSESSMENT**To be completed by parent or guardian**

Child's Name: _____			Birth date: _____		Sex M <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/>
Last First Middle			Mo / Day / Yr		
Address: _____					
Number Street		Apt#	City	State	Zip
Parent/Guardian Name(s)		Relationship	Phone Number(s)		
		W: _____	C: _____	H: _____	
		W: _____	C: _____	H: _____	
Where do you usually take your child for routine medical care? Name: _____					
Address: _____			Phone Number: _____		
When was the last time your child had a physical exam? Month: _____ Year: _____					
Where do you usually take your child for dental care? Name: _____					
Address: _____			Phone Number: _____		
ASSESSMENT OF CHILD'S HEALTH - To the best of your knowledge has your child had any problem with the following? Check Yes or No and provide a comment for any YES answer.					
	Yes	No	Comments (required for any Yes answer)		
Allergies (Food, Insects, Drugs, Latex, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Allergies (Seasonal)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Asthma or Breathing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Behavioral or Emotional	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Birth Defect(s)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Bladder	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Bleeding	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Bowels	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Cerebral Palsy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Coughing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Developmental Delay	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Diabetes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Ears or Deafness	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Eyes or Vision	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Head Injury	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Heart	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Hospitalization (When, Where)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Lead Poisoning/Exposure	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Life Threatening Allergic Reactions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Limits on Physical Activity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Meningitis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Prematurity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Seizures	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Sickle Cell Disease	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Speech/Language	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Surgery	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Does your child take medication (prescription or non-prescription) at any time?					
<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, name(s) of medication(s): _____					
Does your child receive any special treatments? (nebulizer, epi-pen, etc.)					
<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, type of treatment: _____					
Does your child require any special procedures? (catheterization, G-Tube, etc.)					
<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, what procedure(s): _____					
I GIVE MY PERMISSION FOR THE HEALTH PRACTITIONER TO COMPLETE PART II OF THIS FORM. I UNDERSTAND IT IS FOR CONFIDENTIAL USE IN MEETING MY CHILD'S HEALTH NEEDS IN CHILD CARE.					
I ATTEST THAT INFORMATION PROVIDED ON THIS FORM IS TRUE AND ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.					
Signature of Parent/Guardian _____				Date _____	

PART II - CHILD HEALTH ASSESSMENT
To be completed *ONLY* by Physician/Nurse Practitioner

Child's Name: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; border-bottom: 1px solid black; margin-top: 5px;"> Last First Middle </div>			Birth Date: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; border-bottom: 1px solid black; margin-top: 5px;"> Month / Day / Year </div>		Sex M <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/>		
1. Does the child named above have a diagnosed medical condition? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, describe:							
2. Does the child have a health condition which may require EMERGENCY ACTION while he/she is in child care? (e.g., seizure, allergy, asthma, bleeding problem, diabetes, heart problem, or other problem) If yes, please DESCRIBE and describe emergency action(s) on the emergency card. <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, describe:							
3. PE Findings							
Health Area	WNL	ABNL	Not Evaluated	Health Area	WNL	ABNL	Not Evaluated
Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lead Exposure/Elevated Lead	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Behavior/Adjustment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mobility	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bowel/Bladder	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Musculoskeletal/orthopedic	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cardiac/murmur	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Neurological	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dental	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Nutrition	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Development	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Physical Illness/Impairment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Endocrine	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Psychosocial	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
ENT	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Respiratory	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
GI	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Skin	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
GU	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Speech/Language	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hearing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Vision	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Immunodeficiency	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
REMARKS: (Please explain any abnormal findings.)							
4. RECORD OF IMMUNIZATIONS – DHMH 896/or other official immunization document (e.g. military immunization record of immunizations) is required to be completed by a health care provider <u>or</u> a computer generated immunization record must be provided. (This form may be obtained from: http://marylandpublicschools.org/MSDE/divisions/child_care/licensing_branch/docs/DHMH_896_revFeb2011.pdf)							
RELIGIOUS OBJECTION: I am the parent/guardian of the child identified above. Because of my bona fide religious beliefs and practices, I object to any immunizations being							
5. Is the child on medication? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, indicate medication and diagnosis: (OCC 1216 Medication Authorization Form must be completed to administer medication in child care).							
6. Should there be any restriction of physical activity in child care? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, specify nature and duration of restriction:							
7. Test/Measurement		Results			Date Taken		
Tuberculin Test							
Blood Pressure							
Height							
Weight							
BMI %tile							
Lead Test Indicated:		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No					

(Child's Name) **has had a complete physical examination and any concerns have been noted above.**

Additional Comments:

Physician/Nurse Practitioner (Type or Print):	Phone Number:	Physician/Nurse Practitioner Signature:	Date:
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CHILDREN WHO ARE REQUIRED TO RECEIVE LEAD TESTING

Under Maryland law, children who reside, or have ever resided, in any of the at-risk zip codes listed below must receive a blood lead test at 12 months and 24 months of age. Two tests are required if the 1st test was done prior to 24 months of age.

If a child is enrolled in child care during the period between the 1st and 2nd tests, his/her parents are required to provide evidence from their health care provider that the child received a second test after the 24 month well child visit. If the 1st test is done after 24 months of age, one test is required.

The child's health care provider should record the test dates on page 3 of this form and certify them by signing and stamping the signature section of the form. All forms should be kept on file at the facility with the child's health records.

AT RISK AREAS BY ZIP CODE

Allegany ALL	Baltimore (cont) 21220 21221	Cecil 21913	Garrett ALL	Montgomery 20783 20787	Prince George's (cont) 20782 20783	St. Mary's 20606 20626
Anne Arundel 20711 20714 20764 20779 21060 21061 21225 21226 21402	21222 21224 21227 21228 21229 21234 21236 21237 21239 21244 21250 21251 21282 21286	Charles 20640 20658 20662 Dorchester ALL Frederick 20842 21701 21703 21704 21716 21718 21719 21727 21757 21758 21762 21769 21776 21778 21780 21783 21787 21791 21798	Harford 21001 21010 21034 21040 21078 21082 21085 21130 21111 21160 21161 Howard 20763 Kent 21610 21620 21645 21650 21651 21661 21667	20812 20815 20816 20818 20838 20842 20868 20877 20901 20910 20912 20913 Prince George's 20703 20710 20712 20722 20731 20737 20738 20740 20741 20742 20743 20746 20748 20752 20770 20781	20784 20785 20787 20788 20790 20791 20792 20799 20912 20913 Queen Anne's 21607 21617 21620 21623 21628 21640 21644 21649 21651 21657 21668 21670 Somerset ALL	20628 20674 20687 Talbot 21612 21654 21657 21665 21671 21673 21676 Washington ALL Wicomico ALL Worcester ALL
Baltimore 21027 21052 21071 21082 21085 21093 21111 21133 21155 21161 21204 21206 21207 21208 21209 21210 21212 21215 21219	Baltimore City ALL Calvert 20615 20714 Caroline ALL Carroll 21155 21757 21776 21787 21791					

CHILD'S NAME _____													
LAST				FIRST				MI					
SEX: MALE <input type="checkbox"/> FEMALE <input type="checkbox"/> BIRTHDATE _____/_____/_____													
COUNTY _____				SCHOOL _____				GRADE _____					
PARENT NAME _____ PHONE NO. _____													
OR													
GUARDIAN ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ZIP _____													
RECORD OF IMMUNIZATIONS (See Notes On Other Side)													
Vaccines Type													
Dose #	DTP-DTaP-DT Mo/Day/Yr	Polio Mo/Day/Yr	Hib Mo/Day/Yr	Hep B Mo/Day/Yr	PCV Mo/Day/Yr	Rotavirus Mo/Day/Yr	MCV Mo/Day/Yr	HPV Mo/Day/Yr	Dose #	Hep A Mo/Day/Yr	MMR Mo/Day/Yr	Varicella Mo/Day/Yr	History of Varicella Disease Mo/Yr
1									1				
2									2				
3										Td Mo/Day/Yr	Tdap Mo/Day/Yr	FLU Mo/Day/Yr	Other Mo/Day/Yr
4										_____	_____	_____	_____
5										_____	_____	_____	_____
To the best of my knowledge, the vaccines listed above were administered as indicated.													
Clinic / Office Name													
Office Address/ Phone Number													
1. _____													
Signature Title Date													
(Medical provider, local health department official, school official, or child care provider only)													
2. _____													
Signature Title Date													
3. _____													
Signature Title Date													
Lines 2 and 3 are for certification of vaccines given after the initial signature.													

COMPLETE THE APPROPRIATE SECTION BELOW IF THE CHILD IS EXEMPT FROM VACCINATION ON MEDICAL OR RELIGIOUS GROUNDS. ANY VACCINATION(S) THAT HAVE BEEN RECEIVED SHOULD BE ENTERED ABOVE.

Please check the appropriate box to describe the medical contraindication.

This is a: ☐ Permanent condition OR ☐ Temporary condition until _____/_____/_____
Date

The above child has a valid medical contraindication to being vaccinated at this time. Please indicate which vaccine(s) and the reason for the contraindication.

Signed: _____ Date _____
 Medical Provider / LHD Official

I am the parent/guardian of the child identified above. Because of my bona fide religious beliefs and practices, I object to any vaccine(s) being given to my child. This exemption does not apply during an emergency or epidemic of disease.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

How To Use This Form

The medical provider that gave the vaccinations may record the dates (using month/day/year) directly on this form (check marks are not acceptable) and certify them by signing the signature section. Combination vaccines should be listed individually, by each component of the vaccine. A different medical provider, local health department official, school official, or child care provider may transcribe onto this form and certify vaccination dates from any other record which has the authentication of a medical provider, health department, school, or child care service.

Only a medical provider, local health department official, school official, or child care provider may sign ‘Record of Immunization’ section of this form. This form may not be altered, changed, or modified in any way.

Notes:

1. When immunization records have been lost or destroyed, vaccination dates may be reconstructed for all vaccines except **varicella, measles, mumps, or rubella**.
2. Reconstructed dates for all vaccines must be reviewed and approved by a medical provider or local health department no later than 20 calendar days following the date the student was temporarily admitted or retained.
3. Blood test results are NOT acceptable evidence of immunity against diphtheria, tetanus, or pertussis (DTP/DTaP/Tdap/DT/Td).
4. Blood test verification of immunity is acceptable in lieu of polio, measles, mumps, rubella, hepatitis B, or varicella vaccination dates, but **revaccination may be more expedient**.
5. History of disease is NOT acceptable in lieu of any of the required immunizations, except varicella.

Immunization Requirements

The following excerpt from the DHMH Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR) 10.06.04.03 applies to schools:

“A preschool or school principal or other person in charge of a preschool or school, public or private, may not knowingly admit a student to or retain a student in a:

- (1) Preschool program unless the student's parent or guardian has furnished evidence of age appropriate immunity against Haemophilus influenzae, type b, and pneumococcal disease;
- (2) Preschool program or kindergarten through the second grade of school unless the student's parent or guardian has furnished evidence of age-appropriate immunity against pertussis; and
- (3) Preschool program or kindergarten through the 12th grade unless the student's parent or guardian has furnished evidence of age-appropriate immunity against: (a) Tetanus; (b) Diphtheria; (c) Poliomyelitis; (d) Measles (rubeola); (e) Mumps; (f) Rubella; (g) Hepatitis B; (h) Varicella; (i) Meningitis; and (j) Tetanus-diphtheria-acellular pertussis acquired through a Tetanus-diphtheria-acellular pertussis (Tdap) vaccine.”

Please refer to the “**Minimum Vaccine Requirements for Children Enrolled in Pre-school Programs and in Schools**” to determine age-appropriate immunity for preschool through grade 12 enrollees. The minimum vaccine requirements and DHMH COMAR 10.06.04.03 are available at www.dhmh.maryland.gov. (Choose Immunization in the A-Z Index)

Age-appropriate immunization requirements for licensed childcare centers and family day care homes are based on the Department of Human Resources COMAR 13A.15.03.02 and COMAR 13A.16.03.04 G & H and the “**Age-Appropriate Immunizations Requirements for Children Enrolled in Child Care Programs**” guideline chart are available at www.dhmh.maryland.gov. (Choose Immunization in the A-Z Index)

This Brochure Provides Information About:

- The requirements that State-regulated family child care homes and child care centers must meet,
- Your rights and responsibilities as the parent of a child in regulated care, and
- How and where to file a complaint if you believe your child care provider has violated State child care licensing regulations.

Who Regulates Child Care?

All child care in Maryland is regulated by the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE), Division of Early Childhood Development. Within the Division, child care licensing is the specific responsibility of the Office of Child Care (OCC), Licensing Branch.

All child care facilities must meet minimum health, safety, and program standards set by Maryland law. To remain licensed, facilities must maintain compliance with those standards. Every licensed facility is inspected by OCC at least once each year to evaluate the facility's compliance with child care regulations.

OCC's thirteen Regional Offices are responsible for licensing activities, including:

- Issuing child care licenses;
- Inspecting child care facilities;
- Investigating complaints against licensed child care facilities;
- Investigating reports of unlicensed (illegal) child care; and
- Taking enforcement action when necessary to achieve compliance with regulations.

There are two types of regulated child care facilities: family child care homes and child care centers.

Family Child Care Homes and Child Care Centers Must Meet the Following Requirements:

- Have the approval of OCC, the fire department and other local agencies, as required (i.e., zoning, health, and environment).
- Provide care only in the areas of the facility that have been approved for use.
- Have the license issued by OCC posted where it is easily and clearly visible to parents. The license shows:
 - the maximum number of children who may be present at the same time;
 - the age groups which may be served; and
 - the facility's approved hours of operation.
- At all times, each child must be supervised in a manner appropriate to the child's age, activities, and individual needs.
- All areas of the facility used for child care must be clean, well lit, and properly ventilated. Room temperatures should be comfortable.
- If food service is provided, food must be stored, prepared, and served in a safe, sanitary and healthful manner.
- The facility must offer a daily program of indoor and outdoor activities that are appropriate to the age, needs and capabilities of each child.
- An up-to-date emergency information card must be on file and maintained for each child.
- The facility must post an approved emergency evacuation plan and conduct evacuation drills at least monthly.
- Child discipline procedures must be appropriate to a child's age and maturity level and may not include the deliberate infliction of physical or emotional pain. **Corporal punishment of any kind is strictly prohibited.**

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The Maryland Child Care Credential

Maryland has a voluntary child care credentialing program that recognizes child care providers' education, experience and professional activities at six levels. Credentialed providers are authorized and encouraged to display the seal issued by the MSDE Office of Child Care.



Program Accreditation

Child care programs have the option of becoming state or nationally accredited. Accreditation means that the facility and staff have met program standards of quality.

Child Care and the Americans with Disabilities Act

The federal Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requires all child care programs to make reasonable efforts to accommodate children with disabilities. For more information about the ADA, please contact the OCC Regional Office in your area or one of the following organizations:

LOCATE: Child Care

Maryland Committee for Children, Inc.
608 Water Street
Baltimore, MD 21202
Phone: (410) 752-7588
www.mdchildcare.org

Maryland Developmental Disabilities Council

217 East Redwood Street, Suite 1300
Baltimore, MD 21202
Phone: (410) 767-3670
(800) 305-6441 (within Maryland)
www.md-council.org



State of Maryland
Martin O'Malley, Governor
Maryland State Department of Education
Nancy S. Grasmick
State Superintendent of Schools

OCC 1524 (rev. 12/2007)

**A
PARENT'S
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TO



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CHILD CARE

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*Important Information for
Parents of Children in
Child Care Facilities*

A publication of the
Maryland State Department of Education
Division of Early Childhood Development
Office of Child Care

www.marylandpublicschools.org/MSDE/divisions/child_care/child_care.htm

There are certain requirements that apply only to homes or centers.

Family Child Care Homes

- Up to 8 children may be in care at the same time if the home meets certain physical requirements. No more than 2 children under the age of two, including the caregiver's own, may be in care at the same time unless the home has been approved to serve additional children in this age group and an additional adult is present. Under no circumstance may care be provided at the same time to more than 4 children under the age of two.
- Each applicant for a family child care license must:
 - Have a criminal background check and child abuse/neglect clearance;
 - Submit a recent medical evaluation; and
 - Complete pre-service training requirements, including certification in first aid and CPR.
- Each adult resident of the home must also have a criminal background check and child abuse/neglect clearance.
- After becoming licensed, the caregiver must periodically complete additional training. Also, current certification in first aid and CPR must be maintained at all times.
- Each caregiver must have at least one substitute who is available to care for the children in the event of the caregiver's temporary absence from the home. Each substitute is subject to approval by OCC and must have a child abuse/neglect clearance. If paid by the caregiver, a substitute must also have a criminal background check. Before allowing a substitute to provide care, the caregiver must tell the substitute how to reach parents in the event of an emergency and familiarize the substitute with the home's child health and safety procedures.

Child Care Centers

The center director and staff members who have group supervision responsibilities must meet minimum education, experience, and training qualifications. They must also meet continued training requirements each year.

- The director and all paid center employees must complete a criminal background check and a child abuse/neglect clearance, and submit a medical evaluation.
- In each classroom, staff/child ratios and maximum group size requirements must be maintained at all times. The following table shows some basic age groupings and the applicable requirements:
- | Age Group | Ratio | Maximum Size |
|------------------|-------|--------------|
| 0 –18 months | 1:3 | 6 |
| 18 – 24 months | 1:3 | 9 |
| 2 years | 1:6 | 12 |
| 3 –4 years | 1:10 | 20 |
| 5 years or older | 1:15 | 30 |
- For every 20 children present, there must be at least one staff member who is currently certified in first aid and CPR.

Your Rights and Responsibilities as a Child Care Consumer

- You have the right to:
- Expect that your child's care meets the standards set by Maryland's child care licensing regulations (NOTE: the regulations are available online at: www.marylandpublicschools.org/MSDE/divisions/child_care/regulat);
 - Visit the facility without prior notification any time your child is there;
 - See the rooms and outside play area where care is provided during program hours;
 - Be notified if someone in the family child care home smokes. In child care centers, smoking is prohibited;
 - Receive advance notice when a substitute will be caring for your child in a family child care home for more than two hours at a time;
 - Give written permission before a caregiver may take your child swimming, wading, or on field trips;
 - Give written authorization before any medication may be administered to your child;
 - Be notified immediately of any serious injury or accident. If your child has a non-serious injury or accident, you must be notified on the same day;
 - File a complaint with OCC if you believe that the caregiver has violated child care regulations.

- Any complaint you make to OCC about the care your child is receiving will be promptly investigated by OCC;
- Review the public portion of the licensing file for the facility where your child is or has been enrolled, or where you are considering enrolling your child.

How Do I File a Complaint?

If you wish to file a complaint, contact the OCC Regional Office in the area where the child care facility is located. Complaints may be filed anonymously. Listed below are Regional Offices and their main telephone numbers:

Region		
1 – Anne Arundel County		410-514-7850
2 – Baltimore City		410-554-8300
3 – Baltimore County		410-583-6200
4 – Prince George’s County		301-333-6940
5 – Montgomery County		240-314-1400
6 – Howard County		410-750-8770
7 – Western Maryland		
	Hagerstown – Main Office	301-791-4585
	Allegany Co. Field Office	301-777-2385
	Garrett Co. Field Office	301-334-3426
8 – Upper Shore		410-819-5801
	Caroline, Dorchester, Kent, Queen Anne’s and Talbot Counties	
9 – Lower Shore		410-713-3430
	Somerset, Wicomico, and Worcester Counties	
10 – Southern Maryland		301-475-3770
	Calvert, Charles and St. Mary’s Counties	
11 – North Central		410-272-5358
	Cecil and Harford Counties	
12 – Frederick County		301-696-9766
13 – Carroll County		410-751-5438

The OCC Regional Office will investigate your complaint to determine if child care licensing regulations have been violated.

If you need additional help, you may contact the main office of the OCC Licensing Branch:

Program Manager, Licensing Branch
MSDE Office of Child Care
200 West Baltimore Street, 10th Floor
Baltimore, MD 21201
410-767-7805

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Maryland child care regulations require your child care provider to verify that you received a copy of “A Parent's Guide to Regulated Child Care.” On the lines below, please write the name of each child you have placed in the care of this provider. **Complete and sign the statement at the bottom, tear off and give this portion of the brochure to the child care provider for retention in the facility’s files.**

Child: _____

Child: _____

Child: _____

Child: _____

I, _____, have received a copy of the consumer education brochure entitled “Parent’s Guide to Regulated Child Care.”

Date

Signature of Parent/Guardian



Preschool Allergy Emergency Care Plan

2014-2015 School Year

My child _____ does/does not have an allergy.
Child's name (circle one)

Sign form at bottom either way. Complete all information for allergies even if medication is not necessary.

Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____
Site: _____
Parent/Guardian Name: _____
Cell phone: _____ Work phone: _____ Home phone: _____
Address: _____

To provide assistance to this student experiencing an allergic reaction:

Type of allergy: _____

Identify triggers which start an allergic reaction: _____

Possible allergic signs: _____

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:

ACTIONS TO TAKE (Do This)

Stay calm.

Stay with the child.

Ask someone to contact 911 and/or parent

Are medications at the Y program? Yes/No

Medications on file to treat child:

In order for the Y to administer medication, a completed Medication Administration Authorization Form must be on file.

Other care options: _____

CALL 911 if student has:

- Difficulty breathing or noisy breathing
- Tightness of chest
- Swelling of tongue, eyes, or lips
- Swelling/tightness in throat
- Difficulty talking and/or hoarse voice

- A wheeze or persistent cough
- Loss of consciousness and/or collapse
- Vomiting, stomach cramps, or diarrhea
- Blue discoloration of lips or fingernails
- Becomes pale and floppy

Administer CPR if breathing stops! Continue until paramedics arrive!

I give consent for the Y of Central Maryland authorities to take appropriate action for the safety and welfare of my child. I give my consent for the Y of Central Maryland authorities to communicate with the authorized health care provider when necessary.

Parent/Guardian signature: _____ Date: _____

**MARYLAND STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
OFFICE OF CHILD CARE
MEDICATION ADMINISTRATION AUTHORIZATION FORM**

Child Care Program: _____

This form must be completed fully in order for child care providers and staff to administer the required medication. A new medication administration form must be completed at the beginning of each 12 month period, for each medication, and each time there is a change in dosage or time of administration of a medication.

- Prescription medication must be in a container labeled by the pharmacist or prescriber.
- Non-prescription medication must be in the original container with the label intact.
- An adult must bring the medication to the facility.

Child's Picture (Optional)

PRESCRIBER'S AUTHORIZATION

Child's Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Condition for which medication is being administered: _____

Medication Name: _____ Dose: _____ Route: _____

Time/frequency of administration: _____ If PRN, frequency: _____
(PRN=as needed)

If PRN, for what symptoms: _____

Possible side effects - Specify: _____

Medication shall be administered from: _____ to _____
Month / Day / Year Month / Day / Year (not to exceed 1 year)

Prescriber's Name/Title: _____
(Type or print)

Telephone: _____ FAX: _____

Address: _____

Prescriber's Signature: _____ Date: _____
(Original signature or signature stamp ONLY)

This space may be used for the Prescriber's Address Stamp

PARENT/GUARDIAN AUTHORIZATION

I/We request authorized child care provider/staff to administer the medication as prescribed by the above prescriber. I/We certify that I/we have legal authority to consent to medical treatment for the child named above, including the administration of medication at the facility. I/We understand that at the end of the authorized period, an adult must pick up the medication, otherwise it will be discarded.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Home Phone #: _____ Cell Phone #: _____ Work Phone #: _____

SELF CARRY/SELF ADMINISTRATION OF EMERGENCY MEDICATION AUTHORIZATION/APPROVAL

(Only school-aged children may be authorized to self carry/self administer medication.)

Self carry/self administration of **emergency** medication noted above may be authorized by the prescriber.

Prescriber's authorization: _____
Signature Date

Parental approval: _____
Signature Date

FACILITY RECEIPT AND REVIEW

Medication was received from: _____ Date: _____

Special Health Care Plan Received: ☐ YES ☐ NO

Medication was received by: _____
Signature of Person Receiving Medication and Reviewing the Form Date

MEDICATION ADMINISTERED

Each administration of a medication to the child shall be noted in the child's record. Each administration of prescription or non-prescription to a child, including self-administration of a medication by a child, shall be noted in the child's record. Basic care items such as: a diaper rash product, sunscreen, or insect repellent, authorized and supplied by the child's parent, may be applied without prior approval of a licensed health practitioner. These products are not required to be recorded on this form, but should be maintained as a part of the child's overall record. Keep this form in the child's permanent record while the child remains in the care of this provider or facility.

[illegible]



Preschool Enrollment and Liability Release/Medical Information 2014-2015 School Year

Required for child to participate in program

I am a legally competent adult who is parent or guardian of the named participant. I would like my child to participate in Y of Central Maryland programming and expressly give my permission. I understand that even when every reasonable precaution is taken, incidents and accidents may occur. Therefore, in exchange for the Y of Central Maryland allowing my child to participate, I voluntarily and intentionally hold harmless and release the Y, its directors, officers, employees and agents from all liability for loss, damage, injury, or death, including any claims based on ordinary negligence, action, or inaction connected in any way with such participation, except for any loss, liability, damage or cost that is caused solely by the Y's gross negligence. I also agree to indemnify the Y of Central Maryland for claims made by or for the participant or claims arising from any relationship with the participant or the participant's estate.

I have read this form and grant permission for my child, _____, to participate in all activities provided by the Y of Central Maryland.

Parent's signature _____ **Date** _____

AUTHORIZATION FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL TREATMENT

If my child, _____, should become ill or injured during Y activities, I understand that the Y will: 1) contact me immediately; 2) contact the person(s) I have designated in case I cannot be reached.

Should the Y be unable to reach me or the person(s) designated, the Y is authorized to contact my physician or arrange for immediate medical treatment to ensure the health and safety of my child, including the administration of medications or injections provided by me for such purpose.

I accept responsibility for payment of medical services rendered.

Parent's signature _____ **Date** _____

MEDICAL ALERT INFORMATION (list any allergies, medical and/or handicapping conditions)

Physician name _____ telephone _____

Physician address _____

Emergency Contact _____ telephone _____

Emergency Contact _____ telephone _____





Preschool Inclement Weather Policy

2014-2015 School Year

The following procedures will be in effect in the event of inclement weather:

- If the local school district is either delayed or closed, then the Center will open at 8:00 am, *unless* the Y association office determines that the weather and road conditions are such that either a later opening or a closing would be necessary to ensure the safety of our families and staff. If the association office decides to open after 8:00 am or close the Preschool Center for the day, then an announcement will be made on our website and via email prior to 7:30 am.
- If the local school district announces an early closing, then the Center will remain open for normal business hours, unless the association office decides otherwise. You will be notified via email if it is determined that we would need to close early.
- On those days when the local school district is already scheduled to be closed due to a professional day, holiday, etc., then an announcement will be made on our website and via email prior to 7:30am.

Parents should check for updates regarding weather-related closings on their email and on the home page of our website at www.ymaryland.org.



Preschool Holiday Closing Schedule 2014-2015 School Year

Monday, September 1	Labor Day	Closed
Thursday, November 27	Thanksgiving	Closed
Friday, November 28	Thanksgiving Holiday	Closed
Wednesday, December 24	Christmas Eve	Closed
Thursday, December 25	Christmas Day	Closed
Thursday, January 1	New Year's Day	Closed
Monday, January 19	MLK, Jr. Holiday	Closed
Friday, April 3	Good Friday	Closed
Monday, May 25	Memorial Day	Closed
Friday, July 3	Independence Day	Closed

Note: The Y Preschool will be closed for one week in August 2015 for teacher training and classroom preparations for the next school year. Dates will be announced ASAP.



Preschool Swim Permission Slip

2014-2015 School Year

If your child is of eligible age, we offer swim activities at our Preschool Center suitable for your child. The teachers, as well as a certified swim instructor, swim with your child in the pool and are supervised by certified life guards. This is a benefit of your tuition.

We will assume by your child's presence on his/her scheduled swim day that he/she will participate in swimming activities. Our teachers are required to get in the pool with the class and, therefore, cannot provide care for children not participating.

Please make sure your child comes to school wearing their swim suit under their clothing. Their towel and under clothes should be packed in a cloth bag of some sort (no plastic bags). Please be sure that their towels, bags, and all items of clothing are labeled with their name or initials.

Child's Name: _____

___ Yes. I give permission for my child to participate in the swim activities with his/her class on a weekly basis.

___ I understand that I must provide a swim suit and towel for my child labeled with his/her name on his/her swim days.

___ No. I do not give permission for my child to participate in the swim activities with his/her class.

___ I understand that I must bring him/her after swim time or keep them at home on his/her scheduled swim day.



Preschool Complimentary Membership Letter

2014-2015 School Year

Dear Parents,

At the Y of Central Maryland – we focus on Family Care. What sets the Y apart from other preschool programs includes our commitment to strengthen family life. Y programs strive to support and assist parents, to strengthen parent-child relationships, and to increase the importance of families. As Maryland's largest provider, we're committed to helping families relieve the stress of balancing work and family.

In an effort to support and enhance opportunities for families to play and stay active and healthy together the Y of Central Maryland extends a **three-month, complimentary Family Membership to new families enrolled full time*** at one of our early childhood development centers. You are eligible to receive all of the benefits of a Family Membership; excluding discounts on summer camp and tuition fees. We hope that you will take full advantage of this opportunity with free and discounted access to a wide range of programs such as swim lessons, yoga, Pilates, personal trainers, dance classes, martial arts, sports teams, family fun events and more. Once you realize the benefit to you and your family, we hope that you will consider joining the Y of Central Maryland after your complimentary period.

To activate your complimentary membership, please take this letter to the Y Center most convenient to you. The Member Service Representative will orient you to the Y and give you your membership card.

Welcome to the Y of Central Maryland. I hope that this is just the beginning of our relationship with you and your family.

Sincerely,

John Hoey
President and CEO
Y of Central Maryland

* Full time enrollment is considered 5 full days per week.

Name of full-time student _____

Y Preschool Program _____ Registration date _____

Deadline for activating complimentary membership _____

Signature of Preschool Director _____ Updated 3/2014

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Name of full-time student _____

Y Preschool Program _____ Registration date _____

Deadline for activating complimentary membership _____

Signature of Preschool Director _____ Updated 3/2014