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Dear Community Preschool and Childcare parents:

There is nothing more important to our program then the safety and health of our students, our staff, and their families. With that being said, we are requiring that any child or staff in our program be tested for COVID 19/Variant; if they display ANY potential cold like symptom. If you choose to not test your child, they will need to remain at home for 10 days following the onset of symptoms.

COVID-19/Variant is transmitted through person-to-person contact and through the exchange of respiratory droplets. As the rise of cases are being confirmed across the state, including in our community, we must be vigilant. Symptoms of COVID-19/Variant include fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congested or runny nose, nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea. If you or any member of your family exhibit these symptoms, please contact your medical provider for advice immediately. Symptoms usually appear 2-14 days after exposure.

The CDC's main concern is the unvaccinated population and since our program is made up of individuals who are not permitted to become vaccinated, it is our duty to be proactive in keeping them safe. Our greatest priority is the safety of our students, staff, and community members. It is important to remember that children are greatly influenced by the reactions of adults when facing difficult circumstances. I encourage everyone to remain calm and to be empathic and respectful to those affected.

We are grateful for the opportunity to serve you and your family, especially as we face this challenging situation together. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,		
Karianne Padilla		
Assistant Director		
	Date:	
Parent or Guardian Signature		