



Methodist School for Early Education

2024-2025 Registration

To register your child for the 2024-2025 school year, payment for the following is required: **Registration Fee**

Material Fee

Safety & Security Fee

First installment of Tuition

NOTE: The above fees are **NON-REFUNDABLE & NON-TRANSFERABLE**.

Your child will need the following forms completed & in the file by the *FIRST* week of school:

_____ Completed Registration Card

_____ **UP TO DATE Florida** Immunization Record (obtained from physician)

NOTE: The Methodist School for Early Education follows all state of Florida vaccination requirements for students enrolling in our preschool. Immunizations are required according to the current schedule recommended by the U.S. Public Health Services, the American Academy of Pediatrics (www.aap.org), the Centers for Disease Control, and the American Council on Immunizations and Prevention. Documentation of compliance with these regulations shall be provided to MSEE upon entry into the school.

THERE ARE NO RELIGIOUS OR MEDICAL EXEMPTIONS TO THIS POLICY.

_____ **UP TO DATE Florida** Health Record (obtained from physician)

_____ Completed Child Record Form

_____ Completed and **NOTARIZED** Medical Release Form

_____ Completed Image Release Form

_____ Completed Snack Permission Form

_____ Completed Volunteer Acknowledgement

_____ Completed Children & Discipline Form



Methodist School for Early Education 2024-25 TUITION & FEES

To REGISTER your child, you will need to pay

(1.)	Registration Fee	(2.)	Materials Fee
(3.)	Safety & Security Fee	(4.)	1 st Month Tuition

REGISTRATION: There is a **\$100.00 NON-REFUNDABLE/NON-TRANSFERABLE** registration fee per child **due at registration**.

MATERIAL FEE: A **NON-REFUNDABLE/NON-TRANSFERABLE** material fee is **due at registration** and will be used to purchase educational/consumable supplies and to *help* cover the cost of field trips (in PreK & K classes only).

<u>CLASS</u>	<u>MATERIAL FEE</u>	<u>CLASS</u>	<u>MATERIAL FEE</u>
Kindergarten	\$500.00	3 Day 3's	\$250.00
5 Day Prekindergarten	\$375.00	5 Day 2's	\$350.00
4 Day Prekindergarten	\$325.00	Older 2's/Young 3's	\$250.00
Older 3's/Young 4's	\$325.00	3 Day 2's	\$250.00
5 Day 3's	\$375.00	2 Day 2's	\$200.00
4 Day 3's	\$325.00	Young 2's	\$200.00

SAFETY & SECURITY FEE: A **\$150 NON-REFUNDABLE/NON-TRANSFERABLE** safety & security fee is **due at registration** and will be used to pay for an off-duty City of Winter Park Police officer to monitor and protect the school & FUMCWP campus between the hours of 8:15 AM – 2:15 PM on school days.

TUITION

Tuition is based on a ten-month calendar, beginning in August & ending in May. **TUITION IS AN ANNUAL FEE** which can be divided into **10 equal installments**, for your convenience. Tuition is payable on an annual, semi-annual, or monthly basis. Full year tuition installments are due August 1st, semi-annual installments are due August 1st & January 1st, and **monthly installments are due the first day of each month**. MSEE offers **TUITION EXPRESS**, an automated payment processing system that allows you to pay thru automated deductions of your debit card or checking account. **There is a \$20.00 late fee charged for tuition installments received after the 10th of each month**. A **WRITTEN two-week notice** to the school office is **required** when withdrawing your child from the program *for any reason*. You will be responsible for payment during this two-week period, whether your child is in the classroom. **FIRST MONTH'S INSTALLMENT IS DUE AT REGISTRATION and is NON-REFUNDABLE/NON-TRANSFERABLE.**

YEARLY/MONTHLY TUITION RATES

<u>CLASS</u>	<u>TUITION</u>	<u>FUMCWP member/</u>	<u>CLASS</u>	<u>TUITION</u>	<u>FUMCWP member/</u>
	<u>Year/Month</u>	<u>2nd child</u>		<u>Year/Month</u>	<u>2nd child</u>
Kindergarten	\$5600/\$560	\$5500/\$550	3 Day 3's	\$3900/\$390	\$3800/\$380
5 Day PreK	\$4650/\$465	\$4550/\$455	5 Day 2s	\$6300/\$630	\$6200/\$620
4 Day PreK	\$4200/\$420	\$4100/\$410	Old 2's/Young 3's	\$4100/\$410	\$4000/\$400
Old 3/Young 4's	\$4200/\$420	\$4100/\$410	3 Day 2's	\$4100/\$410	\$4000/\$400
5 Day 3's	\$5250/\$525	\$5150/\$515	2 Day 2's	\$3200/\$320	\$3100/\$310
4 Day 3's	\$4200/\$420	\$4100/\$410	Young 2's	\$3200/\$320	\$3100/\$310

Lunch Bunch is **\$18.00** per day. Lunch bunch is an extended day program held from **12:00 – 2:00 PM**. Lunch Bunch is open to all children; Young's 2's may begin attending Lunch Bunch in January 2025. FUMCWP members will receive a \$10 discount on tuition for *each* child. Non-church member families with *more than one child* enrolled will receive a \$10 discount for the *younger* child(ren). *NOTE: School expenses are continuous. NO credit will be given for absences. NO credit will be given for scheduled school holidays, vacation periods, or days cancelled due to weather emergencies or other unforeseen catastrophes.*

The Methodist School for Early Education admits students of any race, color, and national, or ethnic origin.

2024-25 Methodist School for Early Education Registration Card Date _____

Child's Name _____ Date of Birth _____
First (Nickname, if any) Middle Initial Last mo/day/yr

Female ___ Male ___ **Current** member of First United Methodist Church of Winter Park? Y___ N___

Address _____
Street City Zip code

Mother's name _____ Cell # _____

Father's name _____ Cell # _____

Mother's Email _____ Father's Email _____

Mother's Business # _____ Father's Business # _____

Local Emergency Contact (*other than parents*):

Name	Phone	Allergies
Registering for: Kindergarten _____	5 day Pre-K _____	4 day Pre-K _____
Older 3's/Young 4's (4 days) _____	5 day 3's _____	4 day 3's _____
3 day 3's _____	Older 2s/Young 3's (3 days) _____	
5 day 2's _____ 3 day 2's _____	2 day 2's _____	Young 2's _____

I understand **ALL** fees are **nonrefundable/nontransferable** _____

Please see age eligibility on reverse side

(Parent Signature)

Age eligibility for each class

Kindergarten	age 5 by September 1 st
Pre-K	age 4 by September 1 st
Older 3's/Young 4's	age 4 between September 1 st - December 31 st
Threes	age 3 by September 1 st
Older 2's/Young 3's	age 3 between September 1 st - December 31 st
Twos	age 2 by September 1 st
Young 2's	age 2 between September 1 st - December 31 st

Information for Child's Record

For office use only:

Enrollment Date _____

Date _____

1. Child's Name _____ Male _____ Female _____
Nickname _____ Do you wish your child to be called by nickname? _____

2. Date of Birth _____

Mo Day Yr

Place of birth _____
City County State

3. Home Address _____

Street

City

Zip code

Home Phone # _____ Cell phone #s _____

Email address _____

4. Check one: Parent(s) _____ Guardian(s) _____

Father's name _____ Mother's name _____

Occupation _____ Occupation _____

Business Phone _____ Business Phone _____

Religious Denomination _____ Religious Denomination _____

Are you currently members of 1st United Methodist Church of Winter Park? _____

Marital Status _____ Marital Status _____

5. Please list the names and birth dates of brothers and/or sisters, indicate which school they attend or where they are employed (if applicable)

6. With whom does child live?

_____ both parents

_____ both grandparents

_____ father

_____ grandfather

_____ mother

_____ grandmother

_____ other (please explain) _____

7. Is child adopted? _____

If so, what has child been told about his/her adoption? _____

8. Characteristics of this child. (use back of sheet to give details you believe may be helpful in understanding this child)

Yes No

_____	_____	Does child play with other children of same sex?
_____	_____	Of opposite sex?
_____	_____	Of younger age?
_____	_____	Of older age?
_____	_____	Does child get along with his/her playmates?
_____	_____	Does he/she bring friends home?
_____	_____	Does he/she visit in the homes of friends?
_____	_____	Does he/she attend Sunday School?
_____	_____	Does he/she enjoy listening to stories/books?
_____	_____	Do you often read to your child?
_____	_____	Does he/she listen to the radio/cds/tapes?
_____	_____	Does he/she watch television/movies?

9. What method of discipline is your child accustomed to? _____

What methods are most effective? _____

Do parents agree on method? _____

10. How many hours of night sleep does your child get? _____

Are there any sleep problems? _____ If yes, please give examples _____

Does child nap daily? _____

11. Is your child right handed? _____ left handed? _____ undecided? _____

12. Are there any food allergies? _____ If yes, please list _____

Is there any vomiting with food allergies? _____ Refusal to eat? _____

Please list **any other allergies** _____

Does child require use of **EpiPen**? _____

13. Are there any problems in relation to toilet habits? _____

14. Does your child exhibit any of the following behaviors?

Thumbsucking? _____

Speech difficulties? (stuttering, etc.) _____

Vision problems? _____

Does he/she wear corrective shoes? _____

15. Does he/she exhibit any behavior which worries you? _____
Give examples _____

16. Has child been away from family before? _____
How does he/she react to your leaving? _____

17. What one word will best describe your child? _____
What do you enjoy most about your child? _____

18 is for pre k and kindergarten children only

Will you give permission for your child to make educational excursions from the school under adequate supervision? (Parents will be driving their own vehicles)

_____ Yes _____ No

Signature _____

Would you like to transport (and chaperone) children on a field trip? _____ Yes _____ No

How many seatbelts does your vehicle have? _____

19. Will you give permission for your child to be photographed for newspaper articles, TV coverage, etc. promoting school related activities? _____ Yes _____ No
Signature _____

20. In case of an emergency, which physician should we contact?
Name _____ Phone # _____

21. Would you give permission to call 911 in the event of an emergency _____ Yes _____ No
Signature _____

(every effort will be made to contact parents)

22. Whom should we call if child's parents are not available?
Name _____ Phone # _____
Relationship to child? _____

23. Who will transport child to/from school? _____

24. What led you to select Methodist School for enrollment? _____

25. What do you expect your child to gain from attending preschool? _____

**Florida United Methodist Early Childhood Schools Association
EMERGENCY MEDICAL RELEASE FORM**

I (We) hereby grant permission for ***The Methodist School for Early Education staff*** to take whatever steps may be necessary to obtain emergency medical care if warranted. These steps may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Attempt to contact parent/guardian(s) (**Please ensure MSEE has correct phone numbers on file**)
- Attempt to contact the child's physician (Listed below)
- Attempt to contact parent/guardian(s) through persons listed as emergency contacts below
- If MSEE cannot contact the parent/guardian(s) or child's physician, MSEE may do any or all of the following:
 - (A) call another physician or paramedic
 - (B) call an ambulance
 - (C) have the child taken to an emergency hospital in the company of an MSEE staff member
- Any expense incurred under the above will be borne by the child's family
- MSEE **WILL NOT** be responsible for anything that may happen as a result of false medical or personal information given at the time of enrollment

Persons to contact in the event MSEE cannot reach the parent/guardian(s)
(PLEASE PROVIDE AT LEAST 2 NAMES)

Name	Phone #	Name	Phone #
1. _____		2. _____	
3. _____		4. _____	

Physician to contact in the event of an emergency

Name	Phone #	Address
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To Whom It May Concern:

I (We) hereby give consent to (name choice of hospital) _____
to administer treatment to my (our) child _____ in the event
of an emergency at which time I (We) cannot be contacted. I (We) give consent to transport by
ambulance if the situation warrants.

Parent(s) Signature _____

Subscribed and sworn to before me at _____, Florida
on this _____ day of _____, 20____

Notary Public State of Florida at large _____
My commission expires _____



PHOTOGRAPHY AND IMAGE ASSIGNMENT, WAIVER AND RELEASE (FOR MINOR CHILD)

Please complete and return this Assignment, Waiver and Release **ONLY** if you **DO CONSENT** to the First United Methodist Church of Winter Park's publication of your minor child(ren)'s image and likeness. If you **DO NOT CONSENT** to the Church's publication of your minor child(ren)'s image and likeness, please complete the OPT-OUT section at the bottom of the page.

I, the undersigned, for valuable consideration received, and for being allowed access to property, activities, or events belonging to or affiliated with First United Methodist Church of Winter Park, expressly assign to First United Methodist Church of Winter Park and the Florida Conference of the United Methodist Church, and to all of their current, former and future agents, schools (including the Methodist School for Early Education and Trinity Christian Academy) and related entities and affiliates (collectively, the "Church"), all rights, title and interest in, and to, the use of my child(ren)'s image or likeness, including, but not limited to, all videotape recordings, photographs, or audio recordings of, or made by, my child(ren) (the "Property") on Church property, during Church-sponsored events, or for any other Church purpose. The Church shall have the right to assign its rights in the Property, in whole or in part, to any school or other entity within the Church, without my consent.

I voluntarily consent to and authorize the Church and its employees, independent contractors, volunteers or other agents to take, reproduce and release photographs, videos and audio recordings of my child(ren). I hereby irrevocably grant the Church perpetually and exclusively, the right to use and incorporate (alone or together with other materials), in whole or in part, the Property, in any Church publication, news release, social media outlet or for any other purpose. Further, I hereby authorize the reproduction, sale, lease, copyright, exhibition, broadcast and/or distribution of the Property without limitation for any purposes whatsoever and I further waive all rights to any compensation for my child(ren)'s appearance or participation in the Property. I understand and have been advised that the Property may be used in publications, websites and other materials produced from time to time by the Church. I further understand that the Church has no control over the use of Property taken by media that may be covering an event at the Church in which my child(ren) participate(s).

I hereby waive any claims against and release the Church, its current, former and future religious, employees, independent contractors, volunteers, agents, representatives, affiliates, successors and assigns from and against any and all claims, demands, actions, causes of actions, suits, costs, expenses, liabilities, and damages whatsoever that I and/or my child(ren) may have against the Church in connection with the taking, reproduction and/or use of the Property.

I acknowledge that the Church cannot control all photographic access to its properties, and that my child(ren)'s name may be printed with the Property. I represent that I am eighteen years of age or older, that I am the parent or legal guardian of the child(ren) listed below and that I have thoroughly read and understand the terms of this Assignment, Waiver and Release.

Names of minor child(ren): _____

Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian: _____ Print name: _____ Date: _____

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Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian: _____ Print name: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian: _____ Print name: _____ Date: _____

Please complete both sides of form.

PHOTOGRAPHY AND IMAGE ASSIGNMENT, WAIVER AND RELEASE (FOR ADULT)



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Signature: _____ Date: _____

Print Name: _____

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Signature: _____ Date: _____

Print Name: _____

MSEE Snack and Food Guidelines

Preschool snack is a special time for the children to gather and share food and conversation with each other. During the school year the children will take turns bringing the "snack basket" home to refill. Snacks should be healthy. It is not necessary to send in juice, as we give the children water. Your child's teacher will notify you of the weekly rotation.

For the health and safety of your child, children with food concerns will be asked to bring in their own snack from home each day.

I give permission for my child, _____ to participate in
Snacks provided at the Methodist School for Early Education.

Signed _____

Date _____



VOLUNTEER ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FOR CHILD CARE PROGRAM

I attest my name is _____, and I serve in the child care
(print volunteer's/foster grandparent's name)
program known as _____.
(print name of child care program)

I serve as a (check one):

- ☐ **Volunteer:** As a volunteer, I do not receive any form of payment or compensation such as money, free or reduced child care, or any other type of compensation for my time. I also understand that as a volunteer, I must be under the constant supervision of a trained and screened staff person and may not be left alone or in charge of any group of children. If I volunteer 10 hours or more per month, or receive some form of compensation, I understand that I must submit background screening information in accordance with section 402.302(3), Florida Statutes, and complete the state mandated training requirements.
- ☐ **Foster Grandparent:** As a foster grandparent, I adhere to all the Foster Grandparent Program Guidelines pursuant to Title 45, Public Welfare, Code of Federal Regulations, section 2552.75. I also understand I must be under the constant supervision of a trained and screened staff person and may not be left alone or in charge of any group of children. I must begin training within 30 days of working in the child care industry in any Florida child care facility and have the following courses completed, either by instructor-led or online, within one year from the working start date: Child Care Facility Rules and Regulations; Health, Safety and Nutrition; Identifying and Reporting Child Abuse and Neglect; and, Special Needs Appropriate Practices.

I attest that I have read and that I understand the foregoing.

Volunteer's/Foster Grandparent's Signature

Date

To Be Completed by the Owner/Operator/Director

I attest my name is _____, and I am the
(print owner's/operator's/director's name)

(check one) ☐ Owner ☐ Operator ☐ Director of the child care program identified above.

The above individual serves, under the above definition, as a volunteer/foster grandparent in this child care program.

I attest that I have read and understand the foregoing.

Owner's / Operator's / Director's Signature

Date



CHILDREN & DISCIPLINE

At MSEE, we are committed to the belief that children learn best in an atmosphere which values and respects the uniqueness of each individual child. Our discipline policy reflects our school-wide philosophy of positive guidance with children. The word discipline means to “disciple or teach.” Our goal is to teach or guide children until they can self-regulate.

Our program utilizes the positive techniques of guidance, including redirection, anticipation, and elimination of potential problems, positive reinforcement, and encouragement. Through language, role modeling, and praise, children will be encouraged to cooperate. We begin this process with the youngest children by creating and setting up an environment that allows for sufficient space and duplication of materials. Consistent, reasonable rules and daily routines are established, and we stress the importance that they be followed by everyone. We have logical consequences for breaking those rules and will give children more personal responsibility as they are able to assume it. As children gain social skills and understanding, they will be given choices and age-appropriate rules with logical consequences followed by learning appropriate negotiation and problem-solving skills. As the circumstances may require, we will use supervised time apart from the group.

In the event of persistent problems with a child, we will work closely with you, so that together with a mutual understanding, we can direct a positive behavioral pattern. If a child has persistent difficulty controlling behavior to the extent that there is continual disruption to the class, making it impossible for other children to have a successful school experience, a conference will be necessary to determine the continuation of the child in our school program.

In all events, we ask parents to work together with us to achieve these goals. At MSEE, let us know the joyous happenings, the upsetting experiences, or important changes at home that may affect behavior. It is also important to let teachers know what a child has been told about an impending birth, serious illness, being adopted, or a recent death, so any conversation can be followed with complete empathy.

Florida Department of Children & Families Acknowledgement by Parent/Guardian

- Section 65C-22.006 (2) F. A. C. requires a current physical examination (Form 3040) and immunization record (Form 680 or 681) within 30 days of enrollment. Please note some children may be on a delayed immunization schedule.
- Section 410.3125 (5), F.S. requires that parents receive a copy of the Children Care Facility Brochure, “Know Your Child Care Facility” (CF/P1 175-24)
- Section 65C-22.006 (3)(c), 2, F.A.C., requires that all parents are notified in writing of the disciplinary practices used by the childcare facility.

Your signature below indicates that you have received the above items and that the information on this enrollment form is complete and accurate, as well as granting consent for child care personnel to have access to your child’s records.

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

A change in daily routine, lack of sleep, stress, fatigue, cell phone use, and simple distractions are some things parents experience and can be contributing factors as to why children have been left unknowingly in vehicles...



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When life happens...Don't be a
**DISTRACTED
ADULT**



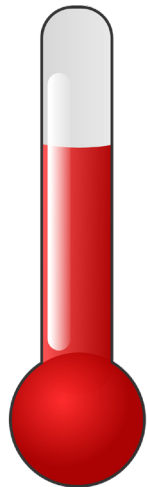


FACTS ABOUT HEATSTROKE:

It only takes a car **10 minutes to heat up 20** degrees and become deadly.

Even with a **window cracked**, the temperature inside a vehicle can cause heatstroke.

The body temperature of a child increases **3 to 5 times faster** than an adult's body.



PREVENTION TIPS:

- Never leave your child alone in a car and call 911 if you see any child locked in a car!
- Make a habit of checking the front and back seat of the car before you walk away.
- Be especially mindful during hectic or busy times, schedule or route changes, and periods of emotional stress or chaos.
- Create reminders by putting something in the back seat that you will need at work, school or home such as a briefcase, purse, cell phone or your left shoe.
- Keep a stuffed animal in the baby's car seat and place it on the front seat as a reminder when the baby is in the back seat.
- Set a calendar reminder on your electronic device to make sure you dropped your child off at child care.
- Make it a routine to always notify your child's child care provider in advance if your child is going to be late or absent; ask them to contact you if your child hasn't arrived as scheduled.

During the 2018 legislative session, a new law was passed that requires child care facilities, family day care homes and large family child care homes to provide parents, during the months of April and September each year, with information regarding the potential for distracted adults to fail to drop off a child at the facility/home and instead leave them in the adult's vehicle upon arrival at the adult's destination.



My signature below verifies receipt of the Distracted Adult brochure

Parent/Guardian:

Child's Name:

Date:

Please complete and return this portion of the brochure to your child care provider, to maintain the receipt in their records.

During the 2009 legislative session, a new law was passed that requires child care facilities, family day care homes and large family child care homes provide parents with information detailing the causes, symptoms, and transmission of the influenza virus (the flu) every year during August and September.

My signature below verifies receipt of the brochure on *Influenza Virus, The Flu, A Guide to Parents*:

Name: _____

Child's Name: _____

Date Received: _____

Signature: _____

Please complete and return this portion of the brochure to your child care provider, in order for them to maintain it in their records.

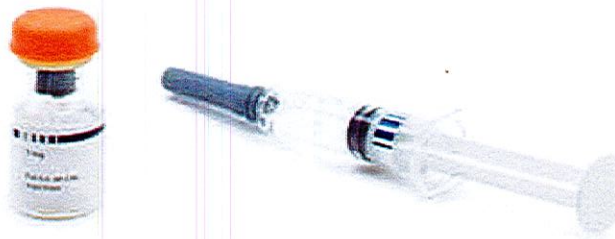


What should I do if my child gets sick?

Consult your doctor and make sure your child gets plenty of rest and drinks a lot of fluids. Never give aspirin or medicine that has aspirin in it to children or teenagers who may have the flu.

CALL OR TAKE YOUR CHILD TO A DOCTOR RIGHT AWAY IF YOUR CHILD:

- Has a high fever or fever that lasts a long time
- Has trouble breathing or breathes fast
- Has skin that looks blue
- Is not drinking enough
- Seems confused, will not wake up, does not want to be held, or has seizures (uncontrolled shaking)
- Gets better but then worse again
- Has other conditions (like heart or lung disease, diabetes) that get worse



How can I protect my child from the flu?

A flu vaccine is the best way to protect against the flu. Because the flu virus changes year to year, annual vaccination against the flu is recommended. The CDC recommends that all children from the ages of 6 months up to their 19th birthday receive a flu vaccine every fall or winter (children receiving a vaccine for the first time require two doses). You also can protect your child by receiving a flu vaccine yourself.

What can I do to prevent the spread of germs?

The main way that the flu spreads is in respiratory droplets from coughing and sneezing. This can happen when droplets from a cough or sneeze of an infected person are propelled through the air and infect someone nearby. Though much less frequent, the flu may also spread through indirect contact with contaminated hands and articles soiled with nose and throat secretions. To prevent the spread of germs:

- Wash hands often with soap and water.
- Cover mouth/nose during coughs and sneezes. If you don't have a tissue, cough or sneeze into your upper sleeve, not your hands.
- Limit contact with people who show signs of illness.
- Keep hands away from the face. Germs are often spread when a person touches something that is contaminated with germs and then touches his or her eyes, nose, or mouth.



When should my child stay home from child care?

A person may be contagious and able to spread the virus from 1 day before showing symptoms to up to 5 days after getting sick. The time frame could be longer in children and in people who don't fight disease well (people with weakened immune systems). When sick, your child should stay at home to rest and to avoid giving the flu to other children and should not return to child care or other group setting until his or her temperature has been normal and has been sign and symptom free for a period of 24 hours.

For additional helpful information about the dangers of the flu and how to protect your child, visit: <http://www.cdc.gov/flu/> or <http://www.immunizeflorida.org/>

What is the influenza (flu) virus?

Influenza ("the flu") is caused by a virus which infects the nose, throat, and lungs. According to the US Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the flu is more dangerous than the common cold for children. Unlike the common cold, the flu can cause severe illness and life threatening complications in many people. Children under 5 who have the flu commonly need medical care. Severe flu complications are most common in children younger than 2 years old. Flu season can begin as early as October and last as late as May.



How can I tell if my child has a cold, or the flu?

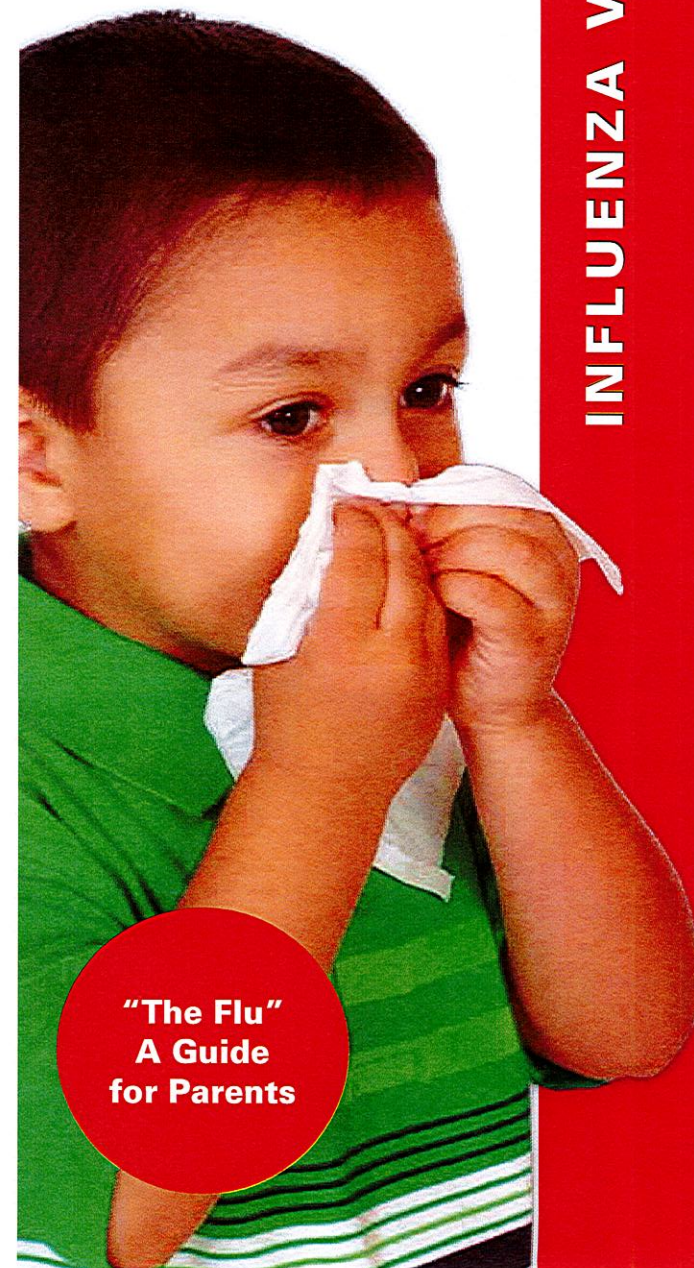
Most people with the flu feel tired and have fever, headache, dry cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, and sore muscles. Some people, especially children, may also have stomach problems and diarrhea. Because the flu and colds have similar symptoms, it can be difficult to tell the difference between them based on symptoms alone. In general, the flu is worse than the common cold, and symptoms such as fever, body aches, extreme tiredness, and dry cough are more common and intense. People with colds are more likely to have a runny or stuffy nose. Colds generally do not result in serious health problems, such as pneumonia, bacterial infections, or hospitalizations.



For additional information, please visit www.myflorida.com/childcare or contact your local licensing office below:

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INFLUENZA VIRUS

**"The Flu"
A Guide
for Parents**

Parent's Role

A parent's role in quality child care is vital:

- ☐ Inquire about the qualifications and experience of child care staff, as well as staff turnover.
- ☐ Know the facility's policies and procedures.
- ☐ Communicate directly with caregivers.
- ☐ Visit and observe the facility.
- ☐ Participate in special activities, meetings, and conferences.
- ☐ Talk to your child about their daily experiences in child care.
- ☐ Arrange alternate care for their child when they are sick.
- ☐ Familiarize yourself with the child care standards used to license the child care facility.



More information and free resources:

MyFLFamilies.com/ChildCare



This child care facility is licensed according to the minimum licensure standards included in section 402.305, Florida Statutes (F.S.), and Chapter 65C-22, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.).

License Number: _____

License Issued on __/__/__

License Expires on __/__/__

For more information regarding the compliance history of this child care provider, please visit:

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To report suspected or actual cases of child abuse or neglect, please call the Florida Abuse Hotline at 1-800-962-2873.

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General Requirements

Every licensed child care facility must meet the minimum state child care licensing standards pursuant to s. 402.305, F.S., and ch. 65C-22, F.A.C., which include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Valid license posted for parents to see.
- All staff appropriately screened.
- Maintain appropriate transportation vehicles (if transportation is provided).
- Provide parents with written disciplinary practices used by the facility.
- Provide access to the facility during normal hours of operation.
- Maintain minimum staff-to-child ratios:

Age of Child	Child: Teacher Ratio
Infant	4:1
1 year old	6:1
2 year old	11:1
3 year old	15:1
4 year old	20:1
5 year old and up	25:1

Health Related Requirements

- Emergency procedures that include:
 - Posting Florida Abuse Hotline number along with other emergency numbers.
 - Staff trained in first aid and Infant/Child CPR on the premises at all times.
 - Fully stocked first aid kit.
 - A working fire extinguisher and documented monthly fire drills with children and staff.
- Medication and hazardous materials are inaccessible and out of children’s reach.

Training Requirements

- 40-hour introductory child care training.
- 10-hour in-service training annually.
- 0.5 continuing education unit of approved training or 5 clock hours of training in early literacy and language development.
- Director Credential for all facility directors.

Food and Nutrition

- Post a meal and snack menu that provides daily nutritional needs of the children (if meals are provided).

Record Keeping

- Maintain accurate records that include:
 - Children’s health exam/immunization record.
 - Medication records.
 - Enrollment information.
 - Personnel records.
 - Daily attendance.
 - Accidents and incidents.
 - Parental permission for field trips and administration of medications.

Physical Environment

- Maintain sufficient usable indoor floor space for playing, working, and napping.
- Provide space that is clean and free of litter and other hazards.
- Maintain sufficient lighting and inside temperatures.
- Equipt with age and developmentally appropriate toys.
- Provide appropriate bathroom facilities and other furnishings.
- Provide isolation area for children who become ill.
- Practice proper hand washing, toileting, and diapering activities.

Quality Child Care

Quality child care offers healthy, social, and educational experiences under qualified supervision in a safe, nurturing, and stimulating environment. Children in these settings participate in daily, age-appropriate activities that help develop essential skills, build independence and instill self-respect. When evaluating the quality of a child care setting, the following indicators should be considered:

Quality Activities

- Are children initiated and teacher facilitated.
- Include social interchanges with all children.
- Are expressive including play, painting, drawing, story telling, music, dancing, and other varied activities.
- Include exercise and coordination development.
- Include free play and organized activities.
- Include opportunities for all children to read, be creative, explore, and problem-solve.

Quality Caregivers

- Are friendly and eager to care for children.
- Accept family cultural and ethnic differences.
- Are warm, understanding, encouraging, and responsive to each child’s individual needs.
- Use a pleasant tone of voice and frequently hold, cuddle, and talk to the children.
- Help children manage their behavior in a positive, constructive, and non-threatening manner.
- Allow children to play alone or in small groups.
- Are attentive to and interact with the children.
- Provide stimulating, interesting, and educational activities.
- Demonstrate knowledge of social and emotional needs and developmental tasks for all children.
- Communicate with parents.

Quality Environments

- Are clean, safe, inviting, comfortable, child-friendly.
- Provide easy access to age-appropriate toys.
- Display children’s activities and creations.
- Provide a safe and secure environment that fosters the growing independence of all children.

