

## **BITING POLICY**

Biting is common in a childcare environment among younger children. Reason for biting include: teething, sensory exploration, autonomy and control, peer interaction imitation, frustration, anxiety and curiosity. It occurs most frequently when a child is tired, frustrated, or over stimulated.

### **What we do when this happens:**

Attend to recipient first, apply first aid, and write an incident report.

The biting child will be redirected to appropriate activities.

Both parents of children involved will be notified.

When a child has bitten several times in a short period of time, an intervention plan will be developed by the teacher, the director and the child's parents / legal guardian.

If the child continues to bite with little or no sign of improvement, the center reserves the right to exclude that child from the center.

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Parent/ Guardian Signature

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Date