

# Leaps and Bounds Learning Centers

## DISCIPLINE POLICY

Discipline is a form of teaching that promotes positive behavior. Leaps and Bounds Learning Centers (LBLC) will not condone corporal punishment. No child will be disciplined in a manner which is severe, humiliating, frightening, or associated with food, rest, or toileting.

### Consequences and Problem Solving

The teacher(s) will talk with the child about what has happened and why, and what can be done to prevent the issue from occurring again. Whenever possible the teacher(s) will let the child help set the guidelines, so the child will be more likely to follow them.

### Positive Techniques

1. Teachers will ensure that expectations are reasonable and age-appropriate.
2. Children learn from example, so teachers will model behavior that is desirable.
3. Teachers will be consistent, making sure to follow through with the rules that have been set.
4. Teachers will make sure the learning environment and materials available are age-appropriate.
5. Teachers will ensure a balance between quiet and active play.
6. Whenever possible, teachers will provide opportunities for the child to be involved in decision making.
7. Rules will be set with the children and their interests in mind.
8. Teachers will always acknowledge children's feelings.
9. Teachers will keep rules simple and specific.
10. Teachers will avoid overusing the word "NO".
11. Power struggles between the teacher and child will be avoided.
12. Teachers will not confuse the child by offering choices when the choice should be the teacher's.

### Dismissal

If in LBLC's sole discretion a child, parent or guardian displays inappropriate behavior while the child is enrolled with LBLC, the child will be dismissed from enrollment. If LBLC, in its sole discretion, cannot provide the care required for a child due to the child's behavioral issues, the child will be dismissed from enrollment.

**I received, read and understand the LBLC discipline policy.**

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Sign and date

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Printed name