

New Daycare *COVID-19* guidelines and Expectations

First Steps Daycare will continue to follow all updated protocols and procedures as outlined by the Fraser Health Authorities.

Given these important requirements, it is imperative that we are resolute in our health policy, and that all parents are in agreement to the following additional requirements:

- Parents can only access our facility to drop off your children in front of the daycare door. Only 1 family at a time can be in the area.
- Parents should limit their time within the facility to only what is necessary and maintain social distancing (6- Feet) from staff and other children.
- Individuals residing in the household with any child attending First Steps Daycare are to be taking all precautions possible to limit their exposure to *COVID-19*.

New Protocols and Routines Due to *Covid-19*

1. Drop offs

Upon arriving, please notify the staff of your arrival by ringing the bell, if the staff are outside please be considerate of the 6-foot social distance rules. Your child will have to remove their outside shoes and put on their inside shoes. Please leave your child's lunch and belongings in their labeled box.

2. Lunches

Please add an ice pack with your child's lunch bag as we are not allowed to store it in the fridge.

Lunches and Snacks ideas:

Sandwiches, crackers & cheese, cut and peeled vegetables and fruit, yogurt, granola bars, muffins, any pre-packaged snacks, please use Zip Lock bags if possible.

Water will be provided by the Daycare in disposable cups.

3. Clothing

We will keep only a few items of clothing.

4. Activities

- Our activities will promote distancing between everyone.
- According to the number of children, they will be divided into groups of 2 or 3.
- Every day there will be different activities and toys.
- We will be outside as often as possible, depending on the weather.

5. Cleaning

In addition to our regular cleaning routine, we are adding extra daily cleaning and sanitizing. We will be following the current health authority guidelines for sanitization and care. The number of toys will be reduced and toys will be rotated each day. Stuffy toys will no longer be in the daycare.

6. Pick ups

Upon arriving, ring the bell the staff will call the child and get them ready for pick up.