**MCCP Disciplinary Procedures and Policies**

A very important part of the playschool experience is helping children learn how to get along with others, enjoy being with other children and how to follow the directions of an adult other than the parent. We strive to provide a caring and positive approach regarding behavior management and discipline. We focus on the positive behaviors of the children and reinforce those behaviors as often as possible. Our goal is to help children develop self-control and responsibility for their actions.

Our discipline procedures will consist of the following strategies:

1. Encourage children to use their words when having a disagreement with another child or when need to express frustrations.
2. Redirecting inappropriate behavior
3. Separating a child from the group – Time Out – one minute away per year of the child.
4. Making parents aware of disciplinary concerns via verbal or written communication.

Disruptive behavior distracts from the full benefit of the playschool program and will result in consequences. The following behaviors are considered to be disruptive:

* Requires constant attention from the staff which results in a detriment to the other children
* Inflicts physical or emotional harm on other children, staff or self
* Disrespects people and materials provided in the program
* Consistently disobeys the rules of the classroom
* Verbally threaten other students or staff
* Uses verbal or physical activity that diverts attention away from the rest of the children.

Discipline Procedures for disruptive behavior:

* Disruptive behavior will be addressed verbally and then subsequent behavior with a written incident report. The report will explain inappropriate behavior and how the behavior affected others. It will also explain the steps in trying to resolve the incident.
* If a child has difficulty managing his/her behavior on a reoccurring basis, parents will be asked to meet with the child’s teacher and Playschool Director.
* If the behavior continues to be inappropriate, consistently disruptive and/or dangerous, it may be necessary for the child to be sent home for a time to be determined, or removed from the preschool program altogether.

Discipline Policy Agreement

I have read the Preschool Disciplinary Policies and Procedures and I agree to comply with the discipline policies and procedures of Muir’s Chapel Christian Playschool.

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature

Parent/Legal Guardian Name Printed

Child’s Name and Class

Date