

LIFE'S LITTLE BLESSINGS  
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PARENT'S ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

This is to acknowledge that \_\_\_\_\_, staff member at  
*(Name of Facility Staff Member)*

LIFE'S LITTLE BLESSINGS, has provided me with an Operational Policy Handbook and has discussed  
the contents with me.

\_\_\_\_\_  
YOUR CHILD'S NAME

\_\_\_\_\_  
*(Parent's Signature)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*(Date)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
(PRINT NAME)

**PLEASE SIGN AND RETURN THIS FORM & THE DISCIPLINE AND  
GUIDANCE FORM TO THE DIRECTOR OR YOUR CHILD'S TEACHER.**

# Discipline and Guidance Policy for \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Operation

- ◆ Discipline must be:
  - (1) Individualized and consistent for each child;
  - (2) Appropriate to the child's level of understanding; and
  - (3) Directed toward teaching the child acceptable behavior and self-control.
  
- ◆ A caregiver may only use positive methods of discipline and guidance that encourage self-esteem, self-control, and self-direction, which include at least the following:
  - (1) Using praise and encouragement of good behavior instead of focusing only upon unacceptable behavior;
  - (2) Reminding a child of behavior expectations daily by using clear, positive statements;
  - (3) Redirecting behavior using positive statements; and
  - (4) Using brief supervised separation or time out from the group, when appropriate for the child's age and development, which is limited to no more than one minute per year of the child's age.
  
- ◆ There must be no harsh, cruel, or unusual treatment of any child. The following types of discipline and guidance are prohibited:
  - (1) Corporal punishment or threats of corporal punishment;
  - (2) Punishment associated with food, naps, or toilet training;
  - (3) Pinching, shaking, or biting a child;
  - (4) Hitting a child with a hand or instrument;
  - (5) Putting anything in or on a child's mouth;
  - (6) Humiliating, ridiculing, rejecting, or yelling at a child;
  - (7) Subjecting a child to harsh, abusive, or profane language;
  - (8) Placing a child in a locked or dark room, bathroom, or closet with the door closed;and
  - (9) Requiring a child to remain silent or inactive for inappropriately long periods of time for the child's age.

Texas Administrative Code, Title 40, Chapters 746 and 747, Subchapters L, Discipline and Guidance

My signature verifies I have read and received a copy of this discipline and guidance policy.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Check one please:

- parent       employee/caregiver       household member of child-care home