

## Discovery Preschool Centers: Caregiver Policy

It is very important that your child develops a relationship of trust with those who are caring for him or her. It is equally important to have a caregiver and teacher who is familiar with your child's likes and dislikes and specific needs. Every child at Discovery Preschool Centers is provided a key caregiver or Teacher. All parents will receive information and direct contact with their child's caregiver upon enrollment, as well as other caregivers, aides, teachers in your child's classroom.

Your child's caregiver will send communications daily, for infants up to two year olds, and weekly for 2-5 year olds.

A variety of forms of communication will be used for older classrooms, from newsletters, notes home, posts on classroom boards, and email and text communications. We also will post photos and updates on our Facebook page, with parental written permission, of experiences and activities in the classrooms.

In the event a caregiver or teacher is ill or on vacation, another caregiver or teacher, also familiar with your child and his or her needs, will be a substitute. Consistency in care and routine for your child is essential to their development, and important to us as well.

### Montana State Licensing required child to staff ratios

Ages 0-24 months -	4:1
2 and 3 years-	8:1
4 years-	10:1

New licensing and STARS to Quality requirements include designated caregivers.