

The Kindergarten at Riva Trace

Discipline Policy

Discipline at The Kindergarten at Riva Trace is designed to encourage the development of self-control in the child. A child who is in control of his or her behavior is happier and better able to learn from the classroom experiences. The staff of The Kindergarten at Riva Trace handles all discipline situations with patience, love, and understanding. Our goal is to nurture and care for the children while stressing Christian values in the positive growth of each child.

RULES OF BEHAVIOR

- Students will follow the rules of safety in the classroom and on the playground as instructed by the teachers.
- Students will follow general rules of polite behavior.
- Students will display no roughness of any kind. This includes pushing, kicking, pinching, grabbing, etc.
- Students will not use name calling or disrespectful language.
- Students will respect the property of others.

Appropriate behavior is praised and encouraged, however, occasionally a child may need to be reminded of what is expected of him or her in the classroom or on the playground.

Our discipline is as follows:

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| 1st step | Positively redirect the child by reminding him or her of what is allowed in the classroom or on the playground. The child will be redirected to another activity to help him/her regain control of their behavior (in effect this is a warning). |
| 2nd step | If the child has not regained control of his or her behavior, he/she may need a few minutes to calm down. (This is a consequence for their behavior). |
| 3rd step | If the child continues to have difficulty with self-control the director will be notified. |
| 4th step | If the director warrants it necessary, the parent will be notified and asked to pick up the child for that day. |

The teacher will have ongoing communication with the parent of a child with difficult behavior.

If a child repeatedly has difficulty in the classroom or playground with self-control, the Director will take the issue to The Kindergarten at Riva Trace Supervising Pastor and RTBC Elder Board. The Pastor and Elder Board will make a decision as to whether to ask the child to leave The Kindergarten at Riva Trace.

Print student's name: _____

Print parent's name: _____

Parent's signature: _____ Date: _____