



Welcome to our preschool! We are so excited that you decided to join our program! We have put together an information sheet that will hopefully help with transitioning your child to Doodlebugz; as well as some first day friendly reminders:

- First days or new schools can be scary for your children, so preparing them in advance is essential. Explaining where you are going during this time and that you will be back to pick them up is very important. Please inform your providers of your child's favorite treats, tv/movie characters, or toys that they can use to help with the transition and to reinforce their awesome behavior. Sending pictures, video messages, or stuffed animals may help as well. Encourage them to make new friends and have fun playing with all the new toys.
- In the beginning there may be tears, which is totally understandable. However, parents/caregivers, we ask that you remain strong and quickly exit after drop off, so your child can start to form relationships with his/her new teachers and friends. Don't worry we will send you pictures/videos and updates throughout the day on our Brightwheel app to help ease your minds. We have found that the more consistent the process remains the faster a child will acclimate to new surroundings and people, so we thank you in advance.
- Please bring: *(all items to be washed will be sent home at end of week or month if part-time and returned to preschool at beginning of following week)*
 - all paperwork with you (unless already submitted) & first week tuition plus deposit (cash, check or Zelle)
 - two sets of weather appropriate clothing, 3 for infants or potty trainers, labeled with initials if possible, and water shoes in summer
 - bedding- crib or cot sheets, blankets and pillows, pacifiers, stuffed animals
 - water bottle
 - diapers/pull-ups (if needed), any creams or lotions, bottle(s)
- On the first day, your child will be assigned a color and a cubby. All of their essentials will be in either the cubby or in the color assigned (for example plates, folders, cups, etc.)
- Weekly folders are sent home on the last day of week your child is in attendance. Please take a look at all the wonderful things your child did throughout the week and any forms/documents that may need your attention and return the folder the following week.

Please feel free to reach out with any additional questions or concerns and we will see all of you on your first day. We can't wait!!

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