

First Presbyterian Church Nursery School

General Information for Parents

1. Monday is GYM day (sneakers, please!! **NO boots, sandals, flip-flops, etc.**) & Friday is Music & Spanish Day (For 3, 4, and 5 day classes only.)
2. *Always wear sneakers or rubber soled shoes (no party shoes, no flip flops or open-toed sandals.) No one can climb or run & play safely without sneakers or rubber soled shoes.*
3. Pack shoes to wear at school when wearing snow/rain boots. (Bring hats and mittens too). We go outside in cold weather – dress appropriately.
4. **Children do not** bring umbrellas inside school. All umbrellas are to be left in cars or at the doors upon arrival. (They make our hallways slippery!)
5. For the health of the other children, please **do not** send your child to school with a runny nose or cough. Your child must be “fever free” and/or have not vomited for 24 hrs. (WITHOUT the aid of fever-reducing medications) prior to returning to school. A child on antibiotics may return to school after 24 hrs. on the antibiotic. If you do not want your child to play outside, please do not send him/her to school.
6. We enjoy celebrating your child’s birthday. On your child’s birthday, you may bring in a special snack, after consulting with your child’s teachers. **We are a “Nut – Free” facility.** Please ensure all products have been processed appropriately. Summer birthdays may be celebrated before the end of the school year. *Also, no goody bags, or balloons please and do not hand out party invitations in school.*
7. **Mark all clothing/belongings with child’s name.** We discourage children from bringing any personal items into school. These toys cannot be used in the classroom and the teachers cannot be responsible for them.
8. First Pres. provides school tote bags. You do not need to buy a school bag. *Please use only the tote bag, which will be provided by the school.* Your child can personalize it as he/she wishes. These bags are designed with the children in mind, to promote ease of use and independence.
9. Emergency school closings – We will close when Ridgewood schools are closed. If Ridgewood has a delayed opening, First Pres. will attempt to have morning classes. Morning classes will start at 10:30 am and end at 12:00 pm. If we decide to close school when Ridgewood is open, you will receive an email. You may also call the school, where there will be a recording on the answering machine.
10. If your child is to go home with another person not listed on your carpool sheet, you **must** send us an email, note, or call the school. We **will not** let your child go without your authorization.
11. If you need to park, please park on Circle Avenue. Street parking as allowed, by signage. You may not park anywhere that has a sign indicating ‘NO PARKING ANYTIME,’ regardless of what street you are on. Please do not block anyone’s driveway. Parking is **NOT** available (other than special event days in the NS) in the lot, across the street, on S. Van Dien in ANY of the spaces.