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## DISCIPLINE AND EXPULSION POLICY School Year: 2020 - 2021

Child's Legal Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Dear Parents,

We are required by the Department of Children and Families, the Office of Early Learning, and the School Readiness to provide parents with a written discipline and expulsion policy. Please sign this form and return it to our office.

Our program will insure that age-appropriate, constructive disciplinary practices are used for your child. This care will allow your child time to look over his or her behavior. We encourage children to choose alternative appropriate behavior to improper conduct. To insure a safe and successful program, discipline is a must. An expulsion occurs when a child's enrollment is terminated due to a challenging behavior or health condition negatively affecting the learning environment. We welcome the ideas of parents, so feel free to share them with us.

The following steps will be used for behavior modification and avoidance of expulsion:

- 1<sup>st</sup>- Children will be corrected/redirected and asked to change their behavior.
- 2<sup>nd</sup>- Children will be re-directed from the situation.
- 3<sup>rd</sup>- Children will be re-directed away from the conflict area.
- 4<sup>th</sup>- Parents will be contacted/notified of the behavior to be corrected.
- 5<sup>th</sup>- Children shall not be subjected to discipline which is severe, humiliating, or frightening.
- 6<sup>th</sup>- Discipline shall not be associated with food, rest, or toileting.
- 7<sup>th</sup>- Spanking or any other form of physical punishment is prohibited.
- 8<sup>th</sup>- Children may not be denied active play as a consequence of misbehavior.
- 9<sup>th</sup>- Teachers will create a plan to foster a positive learning environment

10<sup>th</sup>- Teachers rely on screening, assessment, and developmental standards to establish and teach clear behavior

Expectations appropriate for the ages and abilities of all children.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, have received in writing the disciplinary/expulsion practices used by Exploration Station The Preschool at Miami Dade College.

Signature of Parent or Guardian

Date