

Calvary Christian School

Discipline and Behavior Management Policy

Praise and positive reinforcement are effective methods of behavior management of children. When children receive positive and understanding interactions from adults and others, they develop positive self-concept, problem-solving abilities and self-discipline. Based on this belief of how children learn and develop values, this school will practice the following discipline management policy.

WE DO:

WE DO NOT:

1. Praise, reward and encourage the children.	1. Spank, shake, bite, pinch, push, pull, slap or otherwise physically punish the children.
2. Reason with and set limits for the children.	2. Make fun of, yell at, threaten, make sarcastic remarks about, use profanity or otherwise verbally abuse the children.
3. Model appropriate behavior for the children.	3. Shame or punish the children when bathroom accidents occur.
4. Modify the classroom environment to attempt to prevent problems before they occur.	4. Deny food or rest as punishment.
5. Listen to the children, treat them as people and respect their needs, desires and feelings.	5. Relate discipline to eating, resting or sleeping.
6. Ignore minor misbehavior. Provide the children with natural and logical consequences of their behavior.	6. Allow discipline of children by children.
7. Explain things to the children on their level.	7. Criticize, make fun of or otherwise belittle children's families, parents or ethnic groups.
8. Use a short, supervised period of "Time Out" (see <i>Time Out Authorization Form</i> on back).	8. Do not physically restrain children.
9. When unacceptable behavior is identified, we monitor the child, call emergency contact numbers as provided by the family or responsible party, have family or designee remove the child from the learning environment.	

Attention preschool parents: Please sign the form on the back of this sheet and return it with your other paperwork at time of enrollment. If printing this form off the Internet, please turn in the above chart with the form on the next page when you turn in your paperwork. Thank you.

Time-Out Authorization Form

(For Preschool students only)

“Time-Out” is the removal of a child for a short period of time (3 to 5 minutes) from a situation in which the child is misbehaving and has not responded to other discipline techniques. The “Time-Out” space, usually a chair, is located away from classroom activity, but within the teacher’s sight. During “Time-Out” the child has a chance to think about the misbehavior that led to removal from the group. After a brief interval of no more than 5 minutes, the teacher discusses the incident and appropriate behavior privately with the child. When the child returns to the group, the incident is over and the child is treated with the same affection and respect shown to the other children.

I, the undersigned parent/guardian of _____,
(child’s full name)

do hereby state that I have received and read a copy of Calvary Christian School’s *Discipline and Behavior Management Policy* and that the School Administrator (or other designated staff member) has discussed Calvary’s *Discipline and Behavior Management Policy* with me.

(Parent/Guardian Signature)

(Date)