



The Guardian Christian Academy

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TODDLER - PRE K What to Bring The First Day

Child Supplies & Personal Items: To provide a high-quality experience for your child it is essential that they have all the supplies necessary for a smooth, exciting, and engaging day.

Each child will need to have the following items to remain at school:

- A backpack, lunch box, water bottle
- 2 sets of extra seasonal clothes in a gallon ziplock bag. Clothes that promote self-help skills are recommended and preferred. Only these items please: pants, shirt, underwear, and socks. (Do not send extra sweatshirt/jacket/coats/dresses).
- Pictures of family and/or pets to be posted in the classroom for your child to share with others.
- A familiar soft object from home, such as a stuffed animal and blanket for soothing and comfort at quiet/naptime. **Pillows are allowed at 16" x 12" or smaller.** These will remain at school all week and be sent home on Fridays to be washed.
- Pull Ups - for ongoing potty training purposes we prefer pull ups at school.
- Wipes - 2 packs
- Water bottle - **Labeled with child's name**
- Lunch - **Labeled with child's name** (Morning & afternoon snacks are provided)
- During cold months it is essential that every child has the following for outside play:
 - Jacket/coat
 - Hat - for sunny days and/or cold days
 - Mittens/gloves
- **Rain Boots** - we go outside a lot! A pair of rain boots to keep at school are recommended. In accordance with DCDEE regulations, we WILL go outside on cold days.
- Sunscreen for your child to include a personal face stick. We provide a Sunscreen Waiver for our parents to sign.

If your child is out of supplies for more than 24 hours, you will be asked to either pick up your child or bring the necessary supplies during your child's day.



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TODDLER - PRE K What NOT to Bring:

The Guardian Early Learning Center respectfully requests that **toys from home stay at home**. Sharing is a complex skill that is more easily acquired when classroom toys are in use. There are also choking hazard rules that we must follow. Toys from home often compromise the ability to make sure that all toys and materials presented to children are safe for everyone in the given age group. There is also a likelihood of toys getting broken and that is sad for both your child and us.

Other items NOT to bring:

- **Flip flops and Crocs.** While adorable on little ones, these shoes are tripping and injury hazards in the classroom and on the playground.
- Clothes, shoes, etc. that you would prefer not to get dirty or lost. For example, jewelry, headbands, hair bows, etc.
- Money - It is easy for children to come to school with money or coins in their pockets. This is a choking hazard for our younger children.
- Food outside of their lunch - Candy, Gum, Sugary Drinks - Unless there have been previous arrangements made to meet special dietary needs with the Director, please leave these at home.

Other Important Reminders:

- Tuition is due the Monday of the **UPCOMING** Week.
- Download the Brightwheel app on your phone for payments, daily notes, and important messages.
- Check our website, facebook & instagram frequently. Please like us on our social media pages! We are also on Yelp and Nextdoor.