

Small Groups

Phase 1



Preschool Small Groups:

Preschool small groups is also great for strengthening communication and language skills. Our quietest children tend to feel more confident participating during this time because it involves less children.

All social distancing guidance for childcare facilities must still be followed, even if cloth face coverings are worn.

- When wearing cloth face coverings, keep hands away from the face and do not touch them. Closely always watch children wearing cloth face coverings.
- Cloth face coverings should be washed with soap and dried between uses.

Safety Guidelines:



Teacher Should

Limit item sharing. If children share items, remind them not to touch their faces and wash their hands.

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Teacher Should

Remove any items that cannot easily be cleaned and disinfected.

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Teacher Should

Remove from the classroom sand or water tables, stuffed animals, and play dough.



Teacher Should

Go outside more and open windows often.



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Phase 2



Preschool Small Groups:

In a small group setting, the teacher has an opportunity to pay close attention to everyone.

Small group of children help teacher ask open-ended questions, stimulate thinking, and provoke discussion. The purpose of such dialogue is to explore the children's ideas. The teacher gets insights into the children's process of thinking.

Safety Guidelines:



Teacher Should

Keep children more engaged. Limit item sharing. If children share items, remind them not to touch 2

Teacher Should

Choose a location that offers a view of the entire classroom.

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Teacher Should

Have materials prepared in advance so children do not have to wait.

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Teacher Should

Try having less circle time and a little smaller group time.