



## CHILD GUIDANCE AND DISCIPLINE PROCEDURES

*The purpose of guidance and discipline is to teach a child to have self-discipline. The emphasis of any set of procedures should be to teach the child to learn how to control themselves in various situations.*

***Cross Road Children's Center does not permit ANY FORM of corporal punishment.***

Cross Road Children's Center follows procedures as outlined below in encouraging self-discipline:

### **Infants and Toddlers**

When dealing with infants and toddlers, teachers will use such strategies as: prevention, distraction, encouraging, modeling, and enticing the child to a new activity. Infants and toddlers should never be put in time out because it is developmentally inappropriate.

### **Three, Four, Five Year Olds, and School Ages**

Techniques such as prevention, redirecting, humor, reminding, encouraging, modeling, discussion, problem-solving, and conferencing will be used to address issues related to guidance and discipline.

Calm down time may be used as a behavior management technique to assist in solving an on-going or habitual behavioral problem for this age group. It will only be one minute per year of the child's age. Calm down time will be followed by redirection and positive encouragement.

***Cross Road Children's Center does not permit corporal punishment of any type.***

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I understand Cross Road Children's Center's Policy on Child Guidance and Discipline Procedures and agree to support and/or follow these procedures.

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Parent/Teacher Signature

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Date

*NOTE: This policy is the same for Parents and Teachers, and is used interchangeably.*