

Eureka City Schools Preschool Programs
Winzler Children's Center
2020 Reopening Protocol - Covid-19

As Humboldt County moves through the phases of reopening, Winzler children's center is enacting the following protocols to support emergency and essential workers, working families and students to receive child care services in compliance with the California Department of Education Early Learning and Care Department (CDE ELCD) priority enrollment guidelines. At the time of reopening, we will ensure access to as many families as possible while adhering to California State Preschool Programs (CSPP) and Community Care Licensing (CCL) regulations and work with Eureka City School District to train/update staff on new safety and sanitation protocols. Below are social and physical distancing practices along with health and safety policies as outlined in the Department of Social Services PIN 20-06-CCP provided to all child care facilities and added program-specific practices to ensure the health and safety of all staff, children, and families while in our care and on our campus.

Enrollment

As indicated by CDE and CCL: Priority enrollment will be based on families already enrolled in our CSPP program. After June 30th, 2020, state enrollment criteria will be used to determine enrollment priority. Center office staff and administration will establish if they are **First:** emergency or essential employees. **Second:** groups at risk, homeless or other groups. These groups are outlined by local, state and federal mandates. As we move through the phases of reopening, we will then consider others, including whether the child lives within the Eureka City School District attendance boundaries.

Social and Physical Distancing

Specific to child care it is important to adhere to the following distancing guidelines:

- Children should remain in groups that are not to exceed ratio and capacity requirements in the charts below. *It is important to keep the same children and teacher or staff with each group and include children from the same family in the same group, to the greatest extent possible.*
- Extend the indoor environment to outdoors, and bring the class outside, weather permitting.
- Open windows to ventilate facilities before and after children arrive.
- Arrange developmentally appropriate activities for smaller group activities and rearrange furniture and play spaces to maintain 6-foot separation, when possible.
- Find creative ways to use yarn, masking tape, or other materials for children to create their own space. Winzler Children Center is considering using materials such as hoola-hoops, activity trays, and carpet squares as options for this.

Teacher to Child Ratio & Group Size Guidance

Child Care

Winzler Children’s Center serves preschool aged children (see highlighted row) and will follow group size restrictions as outlined in PIN 20-06-CCP and will continue to adjust for any further ratio changes enacted by federal, state or local agencies.

Group size: No more than 10 children in each classroom

Children and/or staff residing in the same household will be in the same classroom

Each group of children and staff will be stable and remain separate from others on campus to the greatest extent possible.

Ratio’s as outlined by Community Care Licensing

Age	Staff: Child Ratio	Group Size
0-18 months (infant)	1:4	10
18-36 months (toddler)	1:6	10
3 years-kindergarten entry (preschool)	1:10	10
Mixed age groups	1:6	10

Daily Screenings

For Staff

- In addition to state and federal requirements, Winzler Children’s Center will adhere to all Eureka City School District guidelines and requirements for staff.
- At the beginning of their shift, all staff will be screened and temperatures will be taken before entering their classrooms.
- Staff will be trained on new screening and sanitation procedures
- Staff will be required to have a mask on at all times
- Anyone with a temperature of 100 or higher will be sent home. Anyone with a persistent cough or other symptoms related to COVID-19 will be encouraged to stay home and may be sent home should symptoms related to COVID-19 arise at any point in their shift.
- Staff breaks will be staggered. If breaks overlap, staff will be required to follow social distancing guidelines in common areas. Several common areas are available to staff including the center kitchen, staff lounge, and staff supply building.
- Staff will be encouraged to minimize bringing items from home onto campus. Individual space for personal items will be provided and kept separate from the classroom.

For Visitors

- Visitors entering Winzler Children’s Center will be required to follow the same protocol as staff and will be kept to an absolute minimum. When at all possible, interactions with

