



Naples Christian Academy Preschool Discipline

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Each teacher has the responsibility to implement their own classroom management plan. To insure proper communication between the classroom, administration, and parents we request that you read our discipline steps and sign below.

Classroom Discipline Steps:

- Visible classroom discipline plan (Apple Tree)
- Explanation and practice of the classroom rules
- Positive reinforcement for appropriate behaviors
- Verbal reminders and re-directs to achieve appropriate behaviors
- Time away from the group for a short period of "thinking time"
- Parent communications, as needed
- Communication with the administration, as needed

Administrative Discipline Steps:

- Meet with the child followed by an age appropriate consequence that matches the concern
- Parent communication
- Parent conference with the classroom teacher and administration

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I acknowledge the above discipline policy and steps.

Child's Name _____

Parent's Signature _____ Parent's Signature _____

Printed Name _____ Printed Name _____

Date _____ Date _____



Naples Christian Academy Preschool Discipline – Apple Tree Plan

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Preschool Classroom Rules

Kind Hands

Obedient Hearts

Honest Talk

Godly Words

Listening Ears

Walking Feet

Inside Voices

In our preschool classroom, each child has an apple with their name on it. The child’s apple will begin as “red” on the apple tree. The goal is for the child to keep his/her apple red and on the tree by following the classroom rules. Classroom rules will be taught and reinforced through positive means such as specific verbal praise, stickers, etc.

If the rules are not followed, classroom discipline steps will be followed such as verbal reminders and re-directs to achieve appropriate behaviors. Teachers will help the child to problem solve better steps of action according to God’s word. If there is repeated unacceptable behavior, the “red” apple will be turned to “green” and other classroom steps can be put into action, such as “thinking time” away from the group (for no more than one minute per year of age). If the undesired behavior continues, the child will be reminded of the status of his/her apple and the apple will be taken off the tree. If the unacceptable behavior continues to occur the apple will then be placed in the basket.

If the apple remains in the basket all week, other consequences such as not being allowed to choose from the treasure box or meeting with parents and or administration may occur.

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It is our pleasure to partner with you.