

# PARENT HANDBOOK



Celebration Academy

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Dear Parents

The staff at Celebration Academy welcomes you to a year of growth, fun, and endless possibilities for your child. Our program exists for you and your child. We will strive to provide the loving care and guidance that your child needs as he/she grows and develops.

As parents, you play a vital role in our ministry to your child. This handbook is designed to help you understand our program, its mission, and the guidelines under which we operate. You are always welcome to visit, ask questions, and make suggestions. Cooperation between parents and staff will contribute to a successful experience for your child. Our church values children and believes in families. We sponsor this school as a ministry of our church to provide a learning environment that will help children grow as Jesus grew. “And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man” (Luke 2:52).

This handbook has been prepared so that you know the policies and better understand the program as we work together to help your child through a successful school year. We anticipate a wonderful year at our school. We look forward to working with your child.

  
Director

## MISSION STATEMENT

The early education program of Celebration Academy is designed to provide a fun, safe and nurturing environment where each child can take steps in reaching their God given potential.

## PURPOSE

The purpose of Celebration Academy is to provide quality, Christ-like early childhood education.

## OBJECTIVE

1. Provide well-trained Christian teachers who care about young children and who communicate care through love and individual attention.
2. Provide an environment designed to meet age appropriate needs of a child.
3. Provide developmentally appropriate planned activities in learning centers and group experience designed to facilitate the child's total development.

## EDUCATIONAL PHILOSOPHY

A child develops mentally, physically, spiritually, socially, and emotionally. We are committed to providing biblically based, age appropriate experiences to allow each child to progress in these areas at his/her own level of ability while enjoying feelings of success. This is primarily done through hands on activities in learning centers and positive Christ-like role modeling of the staff. Monthly parent newsletters will keep you informed about the activities of the Academy. In addition, updates from your child's teacher will keep you informed about each unit of study and the special activities that correspond with the theme.

## SCHOOL CALENDAR

Opening Date: September 1, 2021

Holidays: We follow Hall County Public School Holidays

Last Day of School: May 18, 2022

School Hours: 9:00-1:00

Inclement Weather: Celebration Academy will follow Hall and Gwinnett county's procedures for inclement weather. If both Hall and Gwinnett County schools are closed we will be closed. If only Hall County is closed, your child's teacher will notify you if we decide to open. If you DO NOT hear from your child's teacher we are closed. No credit will be given for missed school days or for missed lunches.

September 1: First Day of School

September 1: Lunches begin

September 1: Carpool begins

September 6: Holiday

Week of September 7: Afterschool activities begin

Week of September 27: Fall Pictures

October 11-12: Fall Holiday

October 27 Fall Parties M/W students

October 28 Fall parties for all here that day, pumpkin patch and fundraiser

November 2: No school

November 17,18 or 19: Thanksgiving Parties\*

November 18: 4 and K Thanksgiving program 11:30 with dismissal to follow

November 22-26: Thanksgiving break

December 13-17: Christmas Parties\*

December 15: Three year old Christmas Program 11:30 dismissal to follow

December 16: four and K Christmas Program 11:30 dismissal to follow

December 20-Jan 3: Christmas Break

January 4: PJ and movie day

January 6: Registration for 2022-2023 School year opens

January 17: No school

January 31: Community registration

February 10, 11 or 14: Valentines Parties \*

February 21: No school

March 25: No school

April 4-8: Spring Break

April 13 Spring parties for M/W students

April 14 Spring parties and petting farm

April 15 No school

Week of April 18: Spring pictures

April 27: Parent teacher conferences for M/W twos no school for two year old classes all else attend

April 28: Parent teacher conferences **No school**

May 2-6: Teacher Appreciation Week

May 17: Last day of school and end of year parties for T/TH one and two year old classes\*

May 18: Last day of school and end of year parties\*

May 18: Four year old graduation at 10:00- dismissal of all 4's following ceremony

\*Parties will be for students only.

Parents may attend the fall party and the spring party

## POLICIES

**ENROLLMENT** — Celebration Academy enrolls children who are fifteen (15) months through five years of age on or before September 1<sup>st</sup> of the given school year. When determining admittance age requirements for classes, we follow Georgia guidelines: “*a child must be five years old on or before September 1 to enter Kindergarten.*”

Applicants will be enrolled in the program when the following is completed and on file:

- Registration Form - due at registration
- Registration fee (nonrefundable) paid - due at registration
- **Immunization/health record form 3231**- due at parent meeting in August
- Supply fee (nonrefundable) - due at parent meeting in August
- September tuition - due at parent meeting in August

Kindergarten students will also need:

- Photocopy of the state certified birth certificate - due at parent meeting in August
- Vision, Hearing and Dental form 3300 due at parent meeting in August
- Registration form - due at registration
- Supply fee (nonrefundable)- due at parent meeting in August

Conditions of enrollment:

**Registration forms and a non-refundable registration fee must be submitted in order for a child to be registered in our program.**

Our staff is not trained in the area of special needs including: learning disabilities or behavioral, social, physical or emotional challenges. Once enrolled, students are expected to adhere to the classroom behavioral guidelines and expectations. Students must be able to handle classroom structure and show respect to staff and other children.

All children must be potty trained before entrance into our 3 and 4 year old classes. It is the responsibility of the parent to provide a change of clothing for accidents.

**HEALTH AND SAFETY**- Children who have a **contagious illness** or exhibit any of the following signs of illness **may not attend**:

Sore Throat	Coughing (persistent)	Inflamed Eyes* Pink Eye
Nausea	Fever	Earache or ear infection
Vomiting	Flushed Face	Diarrhea
Discharging Ear	Skin Rash *	Enlarged Glands
Runny Nose *	Strep Throat	Scarlet Fever
Lice/Nits	Whooping Cough	

\*Not allergy related

A child must be **fever free/vomit free/ and or diarrhea free without the use of medication for at least 24 hours** before returning to school.

**A child must be on an antibiotic for at least 24 hours before returning to school. If your child has a contagious illness or infection of any kind they may be asked to not return to school for a longer period of time.**

Our school has a **nit free lice policy**. Your child may not attend school if they have any nits or active infestation.

**If your child is tested for whooping cough they may not attend school until a full round of antibiotics has been completed.**

**If your child becomes ill during the day, he/she will be isolated from the group and you will be called to pick up her/him immediately. If your child is sent home due to an illness they may not return to the school that day. You must give the school all of your contact information so you can be reached during school hours.**

In the event of exposure to a contagious disease within the group, you will be given written notice. We will notify you by email, if 25% or more of students in one class have a similar illness.

For your child's safety, no medications will be given at school. In addition, no medical procedures will be administered by the school staff.

The program exercises reasonable care and judgment in all matters related to safety. In all emergencies, the program has permission to take such reasonable measures as are, in the judgment of the teacher or Director, necessary for the welfare and safety of the child until a parent can be reached.

Minor bumps and bruises are treated with soap and water, ice and lots of TLC. Your child's teacher will use her discretion in sending home written notification regarding minor mishaps at school.

If an Epi pen or inhaler is kept at school for your child- it must be in the original container with dosage instructions, and we must have an allergy action plan on file for your child.

**COVID-19 POLICIES** - Anyone showing signs of illness of any kind or who may have been exposed to COVID-19 may not enter Celebration Academy's buildings.

Symptoms of COVID-19

- Fever\*
- Cough
- Shortness of breath
- Difficulty breathing
- Respiratory symptoms

Any 2 of the following:

- Chills
- Repeated shaking with chills
- Muscle pain
- Headache
- Sore throat

While symptoms in children are similar to adults, children may have milder symptoms. Reported symptoms in children include cold-like symptoms, such as fever, runny nose, and cough. Sore throat, headache, vomiting and diarrhea are less commonly reported. However, a small percentage of children have been reported to have more severe illness.

\*Fever of 100.0 degrees or above or by subjective signs such as: flushed cheeks, fatigue, extreme fussiness, chills, shivering, sweating, achiness, headache, not eating or drinking.

Staff and students with COVID-19 symptoms, or a positive test for COVID -19, or a temperature of 100.0 degrees and above will not be allowed at school.

Children and unvaccinated staff who had close contact with someone who has (suspected or confirmed) COVID-19 should stay home for 14 days after their last exposure to that person.

People who are fully vaccinated and do not have COVID-19 symptoms do not need to quarantine after exposure.

We will follow GDDPH, CDC, Bright From the Start and Governor mandates.

For all those who are ill, before returning to work or school, they must meet criteria put into place based on Celebration Academy policies in compliance with the CDC recommendations.

There will be limited access to the buildings during the school day, based on approval from administration.

Children will have their hands sanitized and/or wash at the sink with soap and water once they are in their classroom.

We will follow proper hand hygiene guidance for all students and adults. Washing hands frequently with soap and water for at least 20 seconds:

- Upon arrival to the classroom
- Before and after eating meals and snacks
- After blowing noses, coughing, sneezing or when in contact with body fluids
- After toileting or changing diapers

We will avoid touching eyes, mouth, nose.

We will cover coughs or sneezes with a tissue or elbow.

We will have a designated bin in each classroom for items that are placed in a child's mouth. The item will be removed, placed in that bin out of the children's reach. The child's hands will be washed. The item will be cleaned and sanitized before it is used again.

Hand sanitizing products will contain 60% alcohol and may be used in lieu of handwashing.

All unvaccinated staff will wear face coverings when they are inside the school building except when in their classroom.

All children may wear face coverings if desired.

We will routinely clean, sanitize and disinfect surfaces and objects that are frequently touched.

We will clean and sanitize all toys and materials used for work and play at the end of each school day.

Any soft toys that are touched will be machine washed at the end of the school day as well as any other machine washable items.

If a staff member or child develops any symptoms of COVID-19, they will be isolated and sent home as soon as possible.

**COMMUNICATION** — Please check your child's tote bag daily. We place messages and information in the children's folder in their tote bag. Teachers will email and text parents. If you need to speak to your child's teacher or an Administrator, please do not hesitate to do so. Please notify the school via the parent portal of **any changes in name, address, business, home or physician's or emergency numbers**. Unlisted numbers are required. Please use the Academy number (770-965-9367) to reach us. You may also email the Director at: [daynacbc@gmail.com](mailto:daynacbc@gmail.com).

Teacher email addresses will be given out at Meet the Teacher. We are here to help you regarding any questions you have. A monthly school wide newsletter will be **emailed** home from the school. Each teacher will also email home or post to the class web page a newsletter with information specific to your child's class. **Please check your email often as that will be our primary means of communication.** You can also find out information about our school at our website: [www.celebrationfamily.com](http://www.celebrationfamily.com). Please look for Celebration Academy in the Students section of the webpage.



**ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE** — Our school utilizes carpool for dropping off and picking up your child. You will be given an identification tag to place on your rearview mirror. **Please hang this tag where it is in direct view at all times throughout carpool.** Let your teacher know if you need additional tags. We will load/unload multiple cars at a time. Once your child has been placed into the car in the afternoon, we ask that you pull around to the “buckle up” parking spaces to buckle your child. We need every parent to close all car/van doors, and then pull around as soon as their child is loaded so afternoon carpool will run more quickly and efficiently. Georgia law requires all children under the age of 8 to be in a car seat!

**\*\*\*\*\* CARPOOL IS A CELL PHONE FREE ZONE. USE OF CELL PHONES DURING THE LOADING/UNLOADING PROCESS IS PROHIBITED. \*\*\*\*\***

\*\*\*If you are picking up or dropping off your child at a time other than carpool, you must email the school to document arrival/departure time and who is dropping off or picking up your child. If your child arrives after carpool, someone from the office staff will come to your car door and get your child and they will take your child to class. If your child is leaving early someone from the office will bring your child to your car. Parents may not come into the school building or go into the classroom during the school day. All front doors will be locked each day at 9:15 following morning carpool. Parents will need to ring the bell outside the building and wait in their car for someone from the office to let their child into the building. This policy will help insure the safety of our children.

**Children will not be allowed in the building before 9:00 a.m. Please be considerate of this time.** Our teachers need this time to prepare for the busy day ahead. The staff will gather each morning for announcements and prayer time until 9:00 a.m. The doors will be opened at this time.

**Please be prompt in picking up your child at 1:00. After 1:15 p.m., a late fee of \$1 per minute will be charged.** This policy helps prevent your child from getting upset and instill confidence in his school experiences. Emergency situations will be considered. Please notify the school as soon as you realize you will be late.

If you need to check out your child before 12:30 p.m., please email the school and let us know what time you are picking your child up and who is will be getting your child. When you arrive on campus please ring the bell outside the building and wait in your car for your child to be brought to you. A staff member will get your child from his/her classroom for you. Your child will be taken to your car. Please have your carpool tag hanging on your rearview mirror to help us identify who you are getting from the school. Please have your ID out and ready to show us. If you call when you are on your way, we'll have your child ready when you arrive. No children will be checked out between 12:30 and 1:00 p.m.

**AUTHORIZED PICKUP** — Your child will only be released to persons listed on the Clinic Card. Please send a note or an email when any person other than yourself will be picking up your child. A photo I.D. will always be required for any person other than a known parent who is picking up your child. In addition, if you have an emergency during the day and need someone other than an authorized person to pick up your child, please call and inform a member of the office staff of the person's name. Please make sure that person has their ID.

**FOOD** — Parents provide food for their child. Children will need to be able to independently eat all food provided. Please do not send tube yogurts as these tend to be very messy. **Please label lunch boxes, drink cups and containers.** All students need to bring a lunch and a drink. We ask that you please do not send candy or

sodas for your child's lunch. Water will be provided as a healthy alternative to soda or other sugary drinks. We will give your child a cup with water if no drink is provided. We will notify you if lunch is not sent with your child to determine the best course of action.

One day each week will be Chick-Fil-A day and one day will be pizza day. Parents have the option to pre-purchase these meals. Order forms can be downloaded from our website. We will not be sending home order forms each month. If we do not have a lunch order for your child, he/she will not have lunch that day. Orders can be emailed and paid for with tuition. Once you have signed up for meals your child will automatically receive meals month to month. Meal(s) will be added to your monthly tuition. If you decide you no longer want meals, you must notify the school in writing before the 1<sup>st</sup> of the month or you will be charged. Meals may be added after September by downloading and turning in a lunch order form from our website Celebrationfamily.com. If your child is absent from school or if school is closed on a day your child gets lunch, that lunch is forfeited. We do not save food or make up missed lunch days.

\*\*If you wish to send cupcakes or special treats for your child's birthday, please consult your child's teacher to schedule a date and time. Treats must be prepackaged this year.

All food allergies your child has must be given to the teacher and Director in writing. A child food allergy list will be posted on red paper in each classroom. If a child has a severe food allergy, that food may be banned from the classroom. We will look at the allergy on a case-by-case basis, and determine the best procedure to follow for that classroom. There will be no art projects involving the use of peanut butter or products containing peanuts. Any candy given to students must be peanut free. This includes candy given at parties.

**RECORDS** – Attendance and health records are kept for each child. In accordance with the Georgia Dept. of Public Health, your child must have an updated shot record (form 3231). This form must be turned in by September 1st and must include an **expiration date**. You may obtain this form from your child's doctor. In addition, all registration forms must be completed and on file prior to the child's first day.

**CLOTHES** – Washable play clothes are recommended for weekday activities. Please put your child in clothing that they can manage by themselves in the bathroom. Shoes are required and rubber soles seem to work best. Crocs with only a back strap, hard toe cowboy boots, flip flops, high heels, and shoes with open toes are not allowed. Parents need to send a complete change of clothes including: shirt, pants, socks, underwear and shoes in a gallon size Ziploc bag labeled with your child's name for emergency purposes. Parents are encouraged to send an extra pair of closed-toed, rubber-soled shoes for your child if at all possible.

If your child is under 3 and wears a diaper, you must use disposable diapers and wipes (provided by the parent). Please make sure to send extra diapers and/or training pants, along with wipes, to school each day.

If your child is in a 3 or 4 year old class and wears pull-ups, he/she will be taken to the potty at regular intervals. If your child soils himself or herself during the school day, our staff will change him/her the first time this occurs. If this happens again, a parent will be called and asked to come in and change the child. Children in these classes who have several accidents may be suspended from the preschool until potty trained.

If your child is in the one year old class, please do not use hair clips as they present a choking hazard. Elastic ponytail holders are fine.

If in doubt about the weather, send a jacket. We will play outside every day unless the weather is severe.

Please mark all removable clothing (sweater, jacket, hats, etc.) with your child's name to prevent loss or mix-up with another child's belongings. A lost and found box is located in the Director's office. Items placed in the box that are not collected will be donated to charity in January and May.

**KINDERGARTEN** – Children need to wear khaki or navy slacks, skirts, shorts or jumpers. They may wear short or long sleeved solid navy, light blue, red, white or pink collared shirts and must wear closed toed shoes. Oxford shirts are also appropriate. On a designated day each week, children may wear their Celebration Academy T shirts with denim. Please put your child in clothing that they can manage by themselves in the bathroom. Shoes are required and rubber soles seem to work best. **Crocs with only a back strap, cowboy boots, flip flops, high heels, and shoes with open toes are not allowed.** Parents need to send an extra set of clothing in a gallon size Ziploc bag labeled with your child's name for emergency purposes. Children do not have to be in uniform on Friday. Kindergarten students will use tote bags provided by Celebration Academy.

**DISCIPLINE** – The staff of Celebration Academy is committed to providing a positive learning environment and will use the following discipline procedures to achieve this goal:

- a) **Redirect** the child by encouraging a better choice of behavior. Talk over the problem to resolve conflict. Be at the child's eye level and establish eye contact. Speak softly, clearly and directly. Tell the child what you see, how you feel about it, what you want them to do and what the consequences of further conflict will be.
- b) If the conflict continues, the child will be given a **"Time Out"**. This should be a time away from the situation but still in the classroom, either in a thinking chair or one-on-one with the teacher. This time out should not exceed the number of minutes corresponding with the age of the child. At the end of the time out, the child will be allowed to join the group. This should be documented by your child's teacher.
- c) If the conflict persists, the teacher will accompany the **child to the office** and document this on his daily sheet.
- d) **Conference:** If conflict continues, the Director will discuss the issue with the parents.
- e) If all of the above methods of managing behavior have been exhausted and the conflict continues, data will be collected by the Director. A follow-up meeting will occur with the parent, teacher and Director. At that time, a plan of action will be decided on which may include suspension, shortened school day or another appropriate alternative.
- f) If this does not resolve the conflict, the child may be expelled from the program. Primary reasons for dismissal include, but are not limited to: ongoing discipline problem, endangering other students or adults, biting three times.

\*\*Suspension or expulsion does not guarantee refund of monthly tuition or enrollment for the following year.

**DISMISSAL OF A CHILD** – Celebration Academy reserves the right to dismiss any child if, after entering, he/she seems unable to participate in group experiences or if fees have not been paid. Celebration Academy also reserves the right to dismiss any child who has more than three biting incidences. We reserve the right to dismiss a student for violation of classroom rules and expectations, or if the parents fail to adhere to school policy. We may also dismiss if we are not able to meet the special needs of a student.

**FEES** – Monthly tuition is:

<u>Two Days</u>	\$200 per month
<u>Three Days</u>	\$215 per month
<u>Four Days</u>	\$235 per month
<u>Five Days</u>	\$260 per month
<u>Kindergarten</u>	\$315 per month

**Tuition fees are payable in advance by the first day of each month. A late charge of \$25 will be added to all payments received after the 7<sup>th</sup> of the month.** If the fee becomes 30 days late, the child will be dismissed unless the parent or guardian takes the initiative to make definite arrangements for payment. **We understand emergency situations and will be happy to discuss financial options with you in advance. Tuition is required monthly, even if your child is absent for any reason. Checks should be made payable to Celebration Academy. Please put your child’s name and your child’s teacher’s name on the check. Please send the check in the unsealed tuition envelope the school provides for you.** A \$25 fee will be added for all checks returned due to insufficient funds.

**Fees may be paid by cash, check, and auto draft, MasterCard or Visa. Your credit card will be charged the first day of the month. Credit Card processing fees are \$10 for transactions \$10-\$250 and \$20 for transactions \$251-\$550. If the card is declined two or more times there will be a \$25 processing fee each month that happens. If your credit card information on file changes it is your responsibility to get the updated information to the school. Overpayments to accounts will be credited to next month’s charges. Any account with a credit at the end of the school year is forfeited.**

**Raquel Zangari** is our financial secretary and all financial correspondences, questions and concerns will be answered by Raquel and the Assistant Director, **Kim Rodriguez**. Please email Raquel at [rzangaricbc@gmail.com](mailto:rzangaricbc@gmail.com) or Kim at [krodriguezcbc@gmail.com](mailto:krodriguezcbc@gmail.com) **for any financial issues**, or they can be reached at the Celebration Academy office.

\*All one time annual fees must be paid by August 19. The registration fee is due with the registration form. A supply fee of \$125 is a one-time fee which helps cover the cost of preschool T-shirts, tote bags, special activities, and consumable supplies.

**Monthly invoices and receipts will not be sent home unless requested.**

**Pandemic Policy Financial Obligations:**

If Celebration Academy is forced to close due to pandemic situations, expectations regarding financial obligations would be modified based on time away from school.

- If a positive case of COVID occurs in the school building, and that building must close due to exposure for 2 days:
  - o There will be no change in financial obligations.
- If a positive case of COVID occurs in your child’s class, that class must close and quarantine for 14 days:
  - o Learning packets will be sent home and
  - o A partial credit based on days missed will be given towards next month’s tuition.
- If the entire Academy is forced to close due to government mandates:

- Financial obligations are contingent upon length of closure.
- If Celebration Academy is closed for 1 week out of the month normal tuition is due. If Celebration Academy is closed for 2-3 weeks, a discount would be applied to tuition for the next month. Staff will provide at home learning activities for your child during that time via educational packets and virtual learning.
- If Celebration Academy is closed for an entire month no tuition is due for the time that school remains closed. Tuition would restart when school can reopen.
- Kindergarten tuition will be due each month regardless of closure as learning packets and virtual learning will be provided for the duration of school closure.

**WITHDRAWAL** – One month’s notice in writing is required for withdrawal and is to be submitted to the Director. A full month’s tuition is required if your child attends any portion of the month.

**SUPPLIES** – Every child will need to send in a change of clothes (in a labeled Ziploc bag) to be kept at school. Each child needs to send in a water bottle daily. You may be asked during the year to send in specific items to help with other classroom projects or cooking experiences.

**CURRICULUM STANDARDS** – We use Zoophonics curriculum for teaching early literacy skills. Each student will work towards mastery of skills set up by the Georgia Early Learning and Development Standards (GELDS). Their website is: [gelds.decal.ga.gov](http://gelds.decal.ga.gov). We believe young children learn best by doing and through active participation.

**SEPARATION/DIVORCE** – In cases of separation or divorce, we cannot deny the release of a child to either parent unless a court document is on record in our files. This document must detail visitation rights or expressly forbid one parent access to the child.

**CLASS PARTIES AND SPECIAL EVENTS** – Your child’s teacher will notify you regarding special class activities and parties. It is our policy to recognize each child’s birthday by making it his/her “special day” at school. He/she will receive special privileges and recognition from teachers and classmates. The summer birthday children will have their “special day” at the end of the school year. Please help us carry out this policy. If a parent wishes to send birthday refreshments or snacks on their child’s birthday, please notify the teacher well in advance of the birthday. We will pass out private birthday invitations provided the entire class is invited.

**MOVIE POLICY** – On rare occasions students will watch a movie during the school day. All movies shown must be G rated. Parents must be notified in advance as to what movie is being shown. If parents do not want their child to watch the movie, they will need to keep their child at home that day.

**WEAPONS POLICY** – No firearms or weapons of any kind are allowed on school property. This includes: water guns, toy guns, and costume or toy type weapons.

**EMERGENCY PLANS** - Lock Down, Fire and Tornado drills will be practiced throughout the year. Please talk with your child and assure him that these drills are “pretend or make-believe” and not real. These drills can be a frightening experience if your child is not properly informed by his/her teacher and his/her parents.

1. In the event that we have a loss in water or electricity we may call parents to come pick up their children. We will send an email/text if necessary.
2. In the case of an intruder in the building or notification of a need for a lockdown from authorities because of an emergency in the area we would follow our lockdown plan. The teachers are to take their class to the designated classroom and lock the door. 911 is called if necessary.
3. Each room has an emergency plan route to go outside if there is a fire. The director will make sure all classes are accounted for.
4. In case of a medical emergency: The teacher will secure the area and have another staff member contact help. 911 will be called if needed.
5. In the event of severe weather, each class goes to a designated area.

**WAYS PARENTS CAN HELP** – Take an interest in the school and whatever your child brings home. Take time to really listen to your child’s daily experiences and discuss them. He/she may not always bring something home in his/her hand, but we trust that he/she will bring something home in his/her heart or head. In addition, read to your child once a day. Ask them questions about the pictures or what they think about the story. Keep a cheerful attitude at home before coming to school if at all possible. If your child has separation anxiety, it is best to simply kiss him/her goodbye, tell him/her you will be back and leave without further hesitation. We will call you if needed. \*\*\* We encourage you to visit our school. However, in order to minimize distractions, please make arrangements with your child’s teacher in advance. Please note during pandemic times, visitors will not be allowed at school. \*\*\*

**MISSIONS** - We will have a Mission project throughout the year. We want to teach the children about helping others. Projects will help a group in the church or the community by collecting or making something for others- such as bringing food for the food pantry or having a coat drive for the homeless.

**ATTENDANCE** – Children in our one year old class cannot attend school for more than 4 hours a day and/or 8 hours a week. Children are not allowed to attend Celebration Academy for more than 4 hours per day.

We hope that your child can attend preschool regularly in order to receive the full benefits of our planned program. If your child is ill and cannot attend school, please give his teacher the courtesy of notification. We regret that refunds cannot be given for **illnesses or missed school days**. Please notify us if your child will miss more than one day of school due to illness or vacation.

**EXEMPTION** - This program is not licensed by Bright from the Start: Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning and is not required to be licensed. Celebration Academy does carry liability insurance

Celebration Academy

Community Safety Pledge

Recognizing the role school community members play in trying to prevent the spread of illness, we, as members of the Celebration Family and School community, promise that:

- We will follow health and safety policies and procedures outlined in the handbook
- Neither our child nor any member of our household:
  - Has had fever above 100.0 degrees, within the last 24 hours, fatigue, dry cough or difficulty breathing
  - Has been diagnosed with COVID-19 in the past 14 days
  - Unvaccinated children/household members have not had close contact to anyone with COVID-19 in the past 14 days.
- After signing this pledge, we also agree to keep Celebration Academy informed of any new symptoms or exposure of our child or any member of our household or of staff
- We will honor and abide by the school's policies and procedures
- We understand that for the health and safety of the entire School community, Celebration Academy may ask that our child or a staff member not attend school for a period of time if directed to do so.

We understand that Celebration Academy has put in place preventative measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19; however, because of the nature of COVID-19, Celebration Academy cannot guarantee that my child or any member of my household or a staff member will not contract COVID-19 as a result of attending and/or working at this school.

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Parent or Guardian name/ child's name

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Parent or Guardian signature and date

## Chapel 2021-2022

### September:

We have the Lord our God to help us. 2 Chronicles 32:8

September 8: Moses' Mom

September 15: Deborah

September 22: Rahab and the Spies

September 29: Esther

### October:

Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid...for the Lord your God goes with you. Deuteronomy 31:6

October 6: David Chosen as King

October 13: David Protects Sheep

October 20: David and Goliath

October 27: David helps Mephibosheth

### November:

I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart. Psalm 111:1

November 3: Ruth, Naomi, and Boaz

November 10: David and Jonathan

November 17: Manna

### December:

God has given a son to us. Isaiah 9:6

December 1: The Angel and Mary

December 8: Jesus Born

### January:

The crowds were amazed at His teaching. Matthew 7:28

January 5: Prodigal Son

January 12: The Lost Sheep

January 19: Bigger Barns

January 26: Good Samaritan

### February:

Do everything in love. I Corinthians 16:14

February 2: Banquet Parable



February 9: Woman at the Well

February 16: Zacchaeus

February 23: Do Everything In Love

**March:**

Come and follow me, Jesus said. Matthew 4:19

March 2: Andrew and Peter and James

March 9: Matthew

March 16: The Twelve

March 23: Feeding 5000

March 30: Walking on Water

**April:**

I am with you always. Matthew 28:20

April 13: Easter

April 20: Breakfast on the Beach

April 27: Light and dark: Sky and Water

**May:**

God saw everything he made, and it was very good. Genesis 1:31

May 4: Land, Plants, and Sea: Sun, Moon, and Stars

May 11: Birds, Fish, Animals, People