

NCUMP Parent Responsibilities & Agreements 2026

Please read and initial each agreement below

For the purposes of this form, the student's parent/guardian will be referred to as "I" or "me".
Newport Center United Methodist Preschool and its staff will be referred to as "NCUMP".

Initial

- _____ I have read a copy of the NCUMP Parent Handbook (available for download at NCUMP.org) and agree to abide by the policies therein.
- _____ NCUMP does not allow chewing gum, candy, or any foods that contain peanuts or tree nuts. However, food that is brought on campus by other students or parents may potentially contain nuts or have been processed in a facility that also processes peanuts and/or tree nuts. NCUMP does not guarantee that students will not be exposed to peanuts and/or tree nuts. I am aware of and agree to abide by the Nut-Free policy to ensure the safety of all NCUMP students.
- _____ I understand that my child will be photographed at school by teachers and parents to document class activities and parties. They might also be photographed for advertising or website purposes. I understand that it is my responsibility to inform NCUMP if I prefer not to have my child photographed by completing **NCUMP's Photo Release Form**. I understand that all students are photographed annually by an outside vendor. If I do not wish to have my child photographed, it is my responsibility to inform NCUMP.
- _____ I agree to be mindful of drop-off/pick-up times. The preschool gate is open with a greeter five minutes prior to pick-up/drop-off times until ten minutes after pick-up/drop-off times. Please notify your child's teacher if you will be arriving/picking-up outside of the normal times to avoid disrupting classroom learning.
- _____ I agree to promptly notify NCUMP of any changes in address, phone number, place of employment, or change of family status and make necessary changes in my child's brightwheel profile.
- _____ I understand that, weather permitting, my child may participate in water play or other messy preschool activities. Casual clothing that is machine washable is the best attire for my child at NCUMP.
- _____ I agree that NCUMP does not apply sunscreen. I will apply sunscreen on my child before drop-off when necessary.
- _____ I understand and authorize NCUMP staff to escort my child on walking field trips to the NCUMC Campus for events & classroom activities, and St. Michaels in the event of an emergency.
- _____ I understand that my child must be potty-trained to attend NCUMP. See policy on next page.
- _____ I agree that it is my responsibility to keep my child's approved pick-up list updated in brightwheel and make arrangements to have my child picked up promptly when their program ends per the NCUMP Late Pick-Up Policy (see next page.)
- _____ I understand the NCUMP Dismissal Policy (see next page.)
- _____ Any provision of babysitting or tutoring services by NCUMP staff members shall be after preschool operating hours and off preschool premises. Any such services for children enrolled in the preschool are not sponsored by the preschool; these services are not included in NCUMP's liability insurance coverage. The arrangement, provision, and payment of these services are an arrangement entered into exclusively by me and the adult who will be providing services. The actions of any preschool employee outside the preschool premises and hours of operation are not the responsibility of NCUMP.

Parent/Guardian Printed Name _____ Signature _____

Phone # _____ Email _____ Date Signed _____

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Brightwheel Communication

NCUMP utilizes brightwheel as a communication tool for parents, teachers, and administrators to streamline interactions. Please note that communications between parents and teachers may be visible to administration due to brightwheel's settings.

NCUMP Potty-Trained Policy

1. NCUMP requires children to be potty-trained. Students may not wear diapers or pull-ups of any type to school.
2. The child must be aware mentally and physically that they have to "go potty".
3. The child must be able to use the toilet, and attempt wiping independently. Teachers will be available in the restroom to supervise and assist if developmentally appropriate.
4. The child must be able to communicate a word or phrase that means they have to use the restroom. If the word or phrase is in a language other than English, the parents must inform teachers in advance.
5. A parent or caregiver will be called for a child who has soiled clothes due to loose stool and is in need additional assistance.
6. Teachers will accompany children to the restroom when children first indicate the need to go.
7. If a child has consistent accidents, NCUMP reserves the right to dismiss the child from school and require the child to not return until fully potty-trained.

NCUMP Late Pick-Up Policy

Our preschool sessions end promptly at 12-noon and 2:00PM. Children MUST be picked up on time! Please remember that we are a child development center, not a day-care facility. Unlike elementary school, where children are released at the end of the day, we must keep close and constant watch upon the little ones until they are picked up. Young children experience fear and anxiety when they are the only ones remaining after their classmates have gone home. We must also remember that teachers and staff members have other obligations that we must respect.

1. If the student has not been picked up 10 minutes after class ends, he/she will be brought to the front office.
2. The office will call both parents. If there is no response, the office will call contacts on the list authorized by parents.
3. The family will be assessed a late fee of \$10.00 for the first 10 minutes after class (or any portion thereof). An additional \$5.00 will be added to the initial \$10.00 for each five minutes thereafter.
4. Should any family be assessed late fees four times in one school year, they will be subject to dismissal.

NCUMP Dismissal Policy

NCUMP reserves the right to remove any child from enrollment in the program without prior notice if it is the opinion of the school that it is in the best interest of the child, family, or school. Reasons for dismissal may include, but are not limited to:

1. The child is a danger to himself, others, or school property.
2. Refusal or inability of the child or family to adhere to the program policies and procedures.
3. Inability of the child to adjust to daily program routines.
4. The child is not potty-trained.
5. Recurring or excessive incidences of biting.
6. Financial default of tuition obligations.
7. NCUMP determines that the child needs resources which the family and NCUMP is unable to provide.
8. Recurring late pick-up.