



# The Kidco Standard

## COVID-19 HEALTH & SAFETY PROCEDURES

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, Kids & Company has put together health and safety protocols based on guidelines from Public Health. Kids & Company has chosen to adopt stringent protocols in all regions where centres are operated. This has been done to protect our families, employees and children.



### SCREENING

- All individuals must self-screen every day before entering the child care centre
- Individuals who do not pass the screening are not permitted to enter the centre

\*screening protocols vary by region



### PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE)

- All staff must wear a non-medical (cloth) or a disposable medical/surgical mask or face covering while inside the child care centre (with reasonable exceptions approved by health authorities)



### HAND WASHING

- Children and staff wash their hands upon entering the classroom and regularly throughout the day



### PHYSICAL DISTANCING

- Physical distancing is encouraged as much as possible (reasonable expectations will be established based on the age of child and interactions with educators)
- Group activities between children are limited
- No unnecessary visitors are permitted to enter the centre



### SANITIZATION

- Enhanced cleaning, sanitation and disinfection of the centre
- Frequently-touched surfaces (e.g. doorknobs, light switches, tables, counters and toys) are cleaned and disinfected at least two times a day
- All cleaning is recorded for accuracy and for public health records



### TRAINING

- Staff have been provided additional training specific to the new protocols provided by regional public health
- Training is ongoing as public health guidelines change and evolve



**THE KIDCO STANDARD** has been put together by a dedicated team that is hard at work and consulting with experts in public health, regional ministries and licensing authorities to ensure we are taking every step to protect the children and staff in our centres. We are proud to provide the highest quality and safest care possible for our families.