What to Bring: Toddler Room

Diapers, Wipes, and Underwear: If your child is still in diapers, you may be asked to send a case of diapers at a time. Anticipate that your toddler will require six to eight diapers per day and plan accordingly. Also, include diaper rash cream or ointment. Remember to include extra plastic pants if you are using cloth diapers. Send resealable plastic bags for the dirty ones. If your child is potty training, provide the same number of training pants as diapers because many dry disposable training pants are wasted as part of the training process. As for underwear, accidents can and will happen. Send several pairs as back-ups. As your child gets older, wipes will be used for more than just diaper changes. Provide a full container initially and a refill package as needed. We will notify through Brightwheel if your child is running low on anything.

Extra Outfits: Send two to three extra outfits (that you don’t mind your child getting dirty) to be stored in your child's cubby. You may find that your toddler goes through more clothing changes per day than he did as a baby. More freedom (to eat solo, paint, play outside, mud play, etc.) equals more mess/fun. Store each outfit in a Ziplock bag, which can be used to send dirty or wet clothes home. Be sure to include extra socks, underwear and a pair of sneakers and rainboots (we do go out in raining day). You can bring a bib for toddler mealtime, as toddlers begin learning to feed themselves, it can be a very messy process. Here at Little Sunshine House we do a lot of activities so your toddler will be sent outside to play throughout the day (weather permitted). Since weather and temperatures change, consider keeping a bag of outerwear in the cubby. Include an extra jacket or sweatshirt, rain boots and a hat.

**Label Everything: Put your child's full name on every item that you send to school. Use a permanent marker or consider washable labels or sew-in name tags.**

Nap-Time Necessities: If your child is napping with us, your child will need a crib sheet and a blanket. An optional favorite lovie or stuffed animal is also suggested if it helps your child finds comfort. If your child uses a pacifier, per licensing the child can only use it during nap time. Sometime accidents happen during nap time, you may want (or be instructed to) send back-up bedding, just in case.

Food and Drinks: Lunch box/container with your child’s lunch. PLEASE LABEL all belongings. The main lunch item can be placed in a thermos if it needs to be served warm, please provide bowl and spoon, we will rinse any utensil’s and placed them back in your child lunch bag. We do not have the ability to heat up each child lunches. If you need help with lunch ideas, please ask. **Snack time**: Please provide daily AM/PM snack in a brown bag with your child name. We are a nut free environment please be careful with Allergy children. Ask a staff person if you are unsure. Please bring a Water Bottle with water and Labeled!

Sunscreen: Your toddler will be outside throughout the day, weather permitting, so apply sunscreen to your child as part of your morning routine and be sure to keep some at daycare so it can be reapplied throughout the day, as needed.

Birthday Celebration: Here at Little Sunshine House we believe in promoting healthy food choices for children. In order to support this healthy nutrition initiative, the Preschool does not serve food of minimal nutritional value (i.e. cupcakes, donuts, candy). Parents should contact their child’s teacher to schedule a child’s birthday celebration. We ask that you bring fruit popsicles for 24. We accept Outshine bars or All-natural fruit bars.

Donations: Baby wipes and soft Kleenex tissues, diapers are always welcome. If you have anything else you would like to donate please Brightwheel us and will get back to you as soon as possible.

Hello and welcome to our Toddler Room. Children start in the Toddler Room at around 18 months of age. We want to partner with you and are open to your input to help make your experience here the best possible. We toddler team are a click away, Brightwheel is a great way for communication between teachers and parents. We look forward to getting to know your child and their family.