

Mixed Age Grouping Parent Approval Form

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Kidsville will be exercising Mixed Age Grouping. Children are grouped by age so that broad similarities in interest, ability and attention span may be considered in program planning, physical space, and equipment management. Mixed age grouping allows for children from one age group to transition into the next older age group in a way that is responsive to the developmental progression of each child and to provide flexibility with regards to enrolment. Ministry guidelines allows mixed age grouping to be used in more than one room in each age category.

Kidsville will contemplate the developmental needs and abilities of a child when considering placement in an older age group as part of mixed age grouping. Discussion with parents and parental approval is required before transitioning the child to the older group. Kidsville will take steps to support the transition of the younger child to an older age group to be sure that the placement in the group is appropriate for the child.

e.g., If your child is between 15 and 18 months, they can be placed in the Toddler program. As part of this transition, your child will sleep on a cot. The cots are very low to the ground and are safe for the children. A child's individual physical needs for diapering, meals or rest time will need to be discussed and accordingly accommodated based on parents' feedback and written approval. This is as per the Ministry of Education requirements.

By signing below, you have understood and agreed with Kidsville Early Learning Center on the considerations mentioned above and give permission for your child to attend Toddler / Preschool Playroom.

I, _____ give Kidsville Early Learning Center permission to allow _____ (Child's name) to sleep on a cot.

Parent / Guardian Signature

Date

On-Site Supervisor Signature

Date