



Discipline Policy at Journey Kids Preschool

Here at Journey Kids we don't believe in "trouble students." We believe firmly in redirection as a more proactive approach for dealing with questionable behaviors.

What exactly is redirecting behavior?

Redirection is a method of behavior guidance and control that maximizes a child's engagement in learning by giving them the opportunity to exhaust alternatives to a behavior that teachers consider problematic. Redirecting Behavior is one in a series of in-service suites on behavior guidance.

Some other steps to redirection that help behavior;

- Finding something else for the child to engage in
- Finding something away from the main group, which allows time to think about their behavior until they are comfortable to talk with the teacher (cozy corner, group rug, a center alone)

At the point when all other appropriate methods have been discussed and exhausted the child will be sent to speak with Pastor Jessica. This will allow another opportunity to discuss the emotions they are feeling. This is a very crucial point, we feel that it is extremely important for children to be able to work out their own emotions to learn how to move past them in a healthy manner. We encourage children to feel however they need to feel, and learn how to cope with the big emotions in a healthy way!

Our absolute last step is calling parents to come get the child. This will be done if we feel it is unsafe for the student, as well as their classmates and teacher. If a problem is persistent, parents, teachers, and Pastor Jessica will be called to a meeting to set up a BIP or Behavior intervention Plan, in order to help the child succeed in the classroom.

If all steps have been exhausted, and the behavior persists, in order to ensure the continued safety of all parties, the child will be asked to withdraw from the program.