

Goodtime Chinese School
Parent Handbook



GOODTIME

CHINESE SCHOOL

Preschool Program
2018-2019

WELCOME!

We are so pleased that you have chosen Goodtime Chinese School for your child. Please take the time to read through this handbook carefully as it contains all of our policies and procedures.

We offer a variety of activities and learning experiences which are designed to support positive student outcomes both in and out of school. Some of our activities include: Mandarin Chinese Immersion , English, Math, art, dancing, fitness classes, and so much more.

Our Mission

Goodtime Chinese School cultivates intellect and character building through rigorous Chinese immersion and bilingual programs in an environment that promotes appreciation of diverse cultures and experience.

Our Goals

- To help children feel safe and secure in a positive environment while participating in educational, recreational and cultural programs.
- To enhance their feelings of self-esteem through their work.
- To help children learn socially acceptable ways of expressing their feelings.
- To help children become aware of themselves, their bodies and their emotions.
- To help children learn to take responsibility for their personal care and safety.
- To help children develop a greater awareness and understanding of the world around them.

Outcomes

- Provide students and parents with a safe school environment with an emphasis on learning and recreation.
- Improve the social, academic, and emotional competencies of preschool children.

Hours of Operation

The Program runs every Monday – Friday when school is in session from 7:30am to 6:30pm.

Holiday and School Closings

Goodtime Chinese school closes on the following holidays and staff development day:

- * September 3, 2018 **Labor Day**
- * October 26, 2018 **Staff Development Day**
- * November 22 & 23, 2018 **Thanksgiving**

- * **December 25, 2018** **Christmas Day**
- * **January 1, 2019** **New Year's Day**
- * **April 12, 2019** **Staff Development Day**
- * **May 27, 2019** **Memorial Day**
- * **July 4, 2019** **Independence Day**

All emergency announcements will be e-mailed to each parent.

Payments

Payments are due on the first day of every month. Payments should be sent directly to Goodtime Chinese School.

Preschool Monthly rates are as follows:

Days of Week	Tuition
Full-time	\$850
5 half days	\$550 monthly
4 full days	\$700
3 full days	\$550
2 full days	\$360
Drop-in	\$50 per day
Material and Book Fee	\$100 per semester (twice a year)
One-time Registration Fee	\$100
Note: For siblings, one child will receive a 5% discount. No refund for sick days or vacation days.	

Withdrawal

Should you choose to withdraw your child from Goodtime Chinese School, you must notify the Director in writing one month prior to the last day of attendance. Failure to do so will result in payment of a full month's tuition after your child leaves.

Policies and Program Procedures

Forms

The Preschool registration packet, along with a \$100 Registration Fee and the last page of this handbook must be completed and returned one week before the first day that your child attends Goodtime Chinese School.

Arrival / Dismissal Policy

If your child is going to be absent, please call or send a message (503-277-3899/503-553-9666) or email (goodtimechinese@gmail.com) and let us know. Children will not be released to anyone not listed on the Consent to Release Form without parental permission.

Confidentiality

Goodtime Chinese School will maintain confidentiality and respect each family's privacy. Goodtime Chinese School will not disclose any information regarding child's records or family information without written consent by the parent or guardian. The only time information may be revealed is in the case of suspected abuse or neglect. This information would then be only given to agencies or representatives of agencies who may be able to act in the child's best interest.

School Staff

As a licensed Child Care provider through the Oregon Child Care Division, each staff member meets the required screening, training, and qualifications. Staff will receive additional training throughout the year to ensure a better understanding of child and adolescent development. Areas of training include (but are not limited to): abilities, cultural diversity, program management, communication, leadership, working within a group and working with children with special needs.

Facility Environment

Activities will be held at Goodtime Chinese School. The children will have outside play and field trips when weather permits. Everyone should have weather appropriate clothing each day. Goodtime Chinese School will not be responsible for lost or damaged personal property. Please encourage your children to keep valuable items at home.

Discipline

Positive reinforcements are used in guiding behaviors. In the case of consistent discipline issues a meeting between Director, Staff, Parents and child will decide what future action should be taken. These actions can include suspension or expulsion from the program.

Health and Safety

All staff will follow the health and safety standards provided by Oregon Child Care Division. An incident report will be completed for each minor accident, such as cuts and bruises.

Health

All staff are trained to observe and identify physical and mental health challenges of any child attending the program. Staff will observe the children for any signs of illness or injury. In cases of illness, injury or allergic reactions, Goodtime Chinese School staff will notify the parent or guardian using the emergency contact information. In case of an emergency requiring a rescue squad or ambulance we will use the permission for emergency care (this is in each child's file and is a requirement for registration in the program). Children with *doctor verified* food allergies must also complete the allergy form.

Food intolerances and/or dietary preferences **should not be recorded as allergies** but may be included on the "Getting to Know You" questionnaire. If your child has an aversion to a certain type of food, please refer to the lunch schedule and pack your child a suitable lunch as a substitute will not be provided. If you suspect your child is developing an allergy please consult your pediatrician.

A child who becomes ill during school hours will be offered a quiet area to rest and wait for their parent or guardian.

Illness Criteria

The following are guidelines that Goodtime Chinese School follows to identify medical problems. We reserve the right to evaluate each child individually on the basis of illness and make determinations.

Children will be sent home when they exhibit any of the following symptoms and may not return to the program for a full 24 hours:

- Temperature above 100 degrees
- Ear-aches
- Sore throat or swollen glands
- Vomiting and/or diarrhea
- Persistent cold symptoms that appear to make the child uncomfortable (congested coughing, thick nasal discharge, eye drainage)
- Pale complexion, exhaustion, irritability or unresponsiveness
- Blisters in mouth and/or rash on feet and/or hands
- Nits & Lice
- Tantrum that lasts more than 20 minutes

Any illness not listed above will be evaluated on an individual basis. Goodtime Chinese School reserves the right to refuse admittance to any child with an illness that we cannot properly care for.

Prevention

Goodtime Chinese School practices hygiene and good health habits, as well as periodic disinfecting of the equipment. Unfortunately we cannot eliminate all germs.

To minimize the spread of germs the staff and children use antibacterial soap to wash their hands at the following times:

- Before and after snacks
- After using the bathroom
- Before and after contact with nasal or mouth secretions
- Any time they are soiled

Medical Procedures/Surgery

For any child requiring minor surgery or a medical procedure where they are put under anesthesia, we ask that they DO NOT return to school until one full day after the procedure has been done.

For children requiring more extensive medical attention, a doctor's note is required before the child returns. Also, any special instructions needed for the care of the child should be written out and signed by a doctor.

First Aid

All staff members are permitted to apply basic first aid. Parents will be notified, via an Incident Report, of any injury requiring first aid.

Safety

Emergency Evacuation

We practice monthly fire drills. Everyone will follow the posted evacuation routes that are developed by Goodtime Chinese School staff. After exiting the building, everyone will meet at the designated safe area and attendance will be taken to ensure all children are accounted for. In the event of a true emergency, school staff will contact each parent or guardian to inform them of the emergency pick-up location.

Communication/Visits

Goodtime Chinese School has an open policy regarding parental/family visits. We encourage you to visit and observe the program after scheduling a drop-in date and time. Communication between parents and School staff is essential for your children, since the program will play an important part in his/her daily life. Anyone that arrives at school and is not a parent/guardian will be asked to sign-in on our Visitor Log.

Important Contact Information

Principal: Yibing Shu

Cell Phone: 503-553-9666

Email: edmondshu@yahoo.com

Director: Yan Zhou

Cell phone: 503-277-3899

Office Number: 503-616-5585

E-mail: goodtimechinese@gmail.com

I have received a copy of Goodtime Chinese School Handbook for the 2018-2019 school year which outlines all policies and procedures of the School.

I understand that all questions and concerns should be directed to School Director.

Name (Please Print)

Signature

Date