Name of Facility:

Discipline and Behavior Management Policy

Date Adopted _____

Praise and positive reinforcement are effective methods of behavior management of children. When children receive positive, non-violent, and understanding interactions from adults and others, they develop good self-concepts, problem solving abilities, and self-discipline. Based on this belief of how children learn and develop values, this facility will practice the following discipline and behavior management policy:

We:

- 1. DO praise, reward, and encourage the children.
- 2. DO reason with and set limits for the children.
- 3. DO model appropriate behavior for the children.
- 4. DO modify the classroom environment to attempt to prevent problems before they occur.
- 5. DO listen to the children.
- 6. DO provide alternatives for inappropriate behavior to the children.
- 7. DO provide the children with natural and logical consequences of their behaviors.
- 8. DO treat the children as people and respect their needs, desires, and feelings.
- 9. DO ignore minor misbehaviors.
- 10.DO explain things to children on their levels.
- 11. DO stay consistent in our behavior management program.
- 12. DO use effective guidance and behavior management techniques that focus on a child's development.
- 13. DO use short supervised periods of time-out sparingly.

We:

- 1. DO NOT spank, shake, bite, pinch, push, pull, slap, or otherwise physically punish the children.
- 2. DO NOT make fun of, yell at, threaten, make sarcastic remarks about, use profanity, or otherwise verbally abuse the children.
- 3. DO NOT shame or punish the children when bathroom accidents occur.
- 4. DO NOT deny food or rest as punishment.
- 5. DO NOT relate discipline to eating, resting, or sleeping.
- 6. DO NOT leave the children alone, unattended, or without supervision.
- DO NOT place the children in locked rooms, closets, or boxes as punishment.
- 8. DO NOT allow discipline of children by children.
- 9. DO NOT criticize, make fun of, or otherwise belittle children's parents, families, or ethnic groups.

The program's goals for helping children develop self-control and learn acceptable forms of social behavior are:

SAMPLE #2

Children are helped to resolve conflict and develop problem solving skills with peers by:

<u>I ensure myself and the additional caregivers follow the programs discipline and behavior</u> management policies and practices and use behavior management strategies appropriately by:

Local resources that can assist with services and support when persistent challenging behaviors continue to occur are:

Operator:

I, the undersigned facility director/operator (or other designated staff member) of (facility name), do hereby state that I have given and discussed the facility's Discipline and Behavior Management Policy with the child's parent or guardian.

Signature of Director/Operator (or other designated staff member):

Date

Parent or Guardian:	
I, the undersigned parent or guardian of	Discipline and her designated staff
Date of Child's Enrollment:	
Signature of Parent or Guardian	Date