

Playground Safety Rules

During regularly scheduled recess time, teachers and paraprofessionals supervise children. In order to remain safe while having fun, students are taught the following:

- to use crosswalks when going to the playground area
- to play safely on the playground equipment (no climbing on top of equipment)
- to swing safely and avoid
 - o twisting or swinging sideways
 - o flipping the seat of the swing over the bar to raise the swing's level
 - o jumping off the swings
 - o standing on the swing seat
- to use slides safely and avoid
 - o climbing up the slides
 - o sliding more than one student at a time
 - o going down the slide headfirst on stomach
- to leave rocks, sticks, dirt, etc. where they belong
- to refrain from throwing items at others
- to abstain from physical contact with other students
- to stay away from the fence (there should not be any climbing or playing on the fence)
- to stay inside the fenced playground or in the area designated by the teacher
- to stay and play in an age-appropriate area
- somersaulting over side bars

A review of these rules at home is advisable and appreciated. The consequences for playground misconduct may consist of, but is not limited to, the following:

- all or part of recess may be missed
 - parents may be notified either by note or phone
 - a conference with the preschool head may be called
 - suspension may be invoked (in-school or out-of-school)
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