INCLEMENT WEATHER & EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN

It is impossible to cover all potential problems and emergencies, so the following is a general policy reflecting our decision-making process. We must deal with any incident on a case-by-case basis and of course this may change as events unfold. **In any situation, it is ALWAYS the parent’s right to decide what is best for the child.**

1. In the case of an emergency or inclement weather, we will notify parents through email, Facebook, and text messages.

2. The EEC follows Prince George’s County Public Schools (PGCPS) policy for closing SCHOOL due to inclement weather.

3. CHILD CARE closings will be assessed by the school director, but generally follow the federal government.

4. If schools are delayed, we will open child care **ONE HOUR** late (8 am) and school will start on time. (8:45 am)

5. If county schools close early, there are NO afternoon classes and Kindergarten will dismiss as soon as possible. Our child care program will remain open, but we ask that you pick up your child A.S.A.P. because our staff needs to get home safely as well.

6. If PGCPS close for any reason other than inclement weather, the EEC program will operate normally as long as we are not impacted by this problem. (i.e.: bomb threats, shootings, tornadoes, earthquakes)

7. If outdoor safety is ever in question, all outside activities will be canceled, including field trips. All outside doors will remain closed and locked. People will be allowed in on a case-by-case basis.

8. As is our policy at all times, children will only be released to adults listed on the emergency information card, unless we receive a telephone call from the parent stating otherwise. If we do, a picture ID will be required.

9. If necessary, we will take direction from our local civil authority if any unusual situation arises.

*Whether the EEC is open or not, parents must evaluate all situations and make the best decision for their family. We will certainly do our best to provide a safe environment for all children.*

**Payment for Snow/Emergency Days**
Tuition payments do not change based on inclement weather and school closing. No refund in tuition will be given.