

Edgeworth Child Care Centre Inc.

Parent/Guardian and Family Involvement Policy

Aim

At Edgeworth Child Care Centre, we aim to encourage parents/guardians to be involved and contribute to the decisions of the education and care service. Parents'/guardians' wishes will be taken into account regarding the extent and type of involvement at our service. Parent/Guardian and family participation is viewed as a welcome and valued resource.

Legislative Requirements

Education and Care Services National Law Act 2010
Education and Care Services National Regulations 2011
National Quality Standards 2011
NSW Department of Education

Who is affected by this policy?

Educators
Child
Families
Staff
Management

Implementation

- Parents/Guardians are welcome to visit at any time.
- Parents/Guardians are invited to make suggestions and contributions to the children's program, service menu, surveys, policies and procedures including enrolment and orientation.
- The expertise of families is recognised and parents/guardians share in decision making about their child's learning and wellbeing.
- Parents/guardians and other authorised family members are invited to share aspects of their culture with the educators, other staff and children: such as craft, cooking, music and language experiences (Such as favorite stories, stories from home cultures, special skills, talents or even bathing a new baby).
- Special activities will be arranged throughout the year to promote family and community participation in the service's activities.
- Parents are also invited to participate in the daily routine such as assisting in craft activities, special language activities and morning/afternoon tea.
- A Parent/Staff committee is set up to establish goals, update and develop policies, and the National Quality Standards.
 - Minutes of regular parent meetings will be kept. Parents and staff are invited to think of issues they wish to add to the agenda prior to the meeting.

The Approved Provider/Nominated Supervisor will ensure that this policy is maintained and implemented at all times.

Sources

Education and Care Services National Regulations 2011
Education and Care Services National Law Act 2010
Guide to National Quality Standards 2011
Australian Children's Education & Care Quality Authority
NSW Department of Education

Review

The policy will be reviewed annually. Review will be conducted by management, employees, parents and any interested parties.

Reviewed: 25 October 2017

Date for next review: October 2018