

**GOOD SHEPHERD  
MOTHERS' SUPPORT GROUP  
NURSERY GUIDELINES  
2009-2010**

We are happy to offer childcare during our regular group sessions in the Good Shepherd Nursery. The nursery is staffed by two paid adults and one or two parent volunteers. **It is important to remember that our nursery cannot operate without the volunteer help of all the mothers who use it.** We hope that knowing your child is in good hands during the meeting will allow you to better enjoy yourself. The nursery guidelines are as follows:

- Each mom who uses the nursery pays \$3.00 per week for children ages 1 and 2 and \$3.00 per week for children ages 3 and up. Payment is due when you drop off your child. You may pay weekly or purchase a \$10 or \$20 card which will be marked at each meeting.
- Nursery hours are from 9:30 - 11:15 a.m. We must ask that no child be dropped off after 10:00 a.m. so that the nursery staff is able to adhere to a workable schedule. We will do our best to take ALL children dropped off before 10:00 a.m.
- Each mom who uses the nursery more than once must sign up to work in the nursery one time per session (fall & spring). **Moms scheduled to work in the nursery should report by 9:30 a.m.**
- Children attending the nursery must be steady walkers. Children 3 and up have the option of joining other children and one adult in a classroom setting to do a craft and have a snack.
- A snack (such as juice and crackers) will be provided to all children in the nursery. To save our carpet from spills, we ask that you provide a sippy cup (**clearly labeled with your child's name**) if you feel your child needs one. Paper cups will be provided for older children.
- A weekly craft project will be provided for children 3 and older.
- Please be considerate of the group when your child is sick or contagious in any way by not bringing him/her to the nursery or meeting that day. Generally, "green" runny noses, frequent coughing or sneezing, new cold (less than 24 hours), fevers, vomiting, diarrhea (within the last 24 hours) are the most common contagious symptoms. Children who have been prescribed antibiotics must have been on them at least 24 hours prior to nursery use.
- Nursery staff members are not responsible for changing dirty diapers. Someone will come and notify you if your child needs to be changed.

Thank you to all who participate in our nursery and help it run smoothly. Suggestions and comments are always welcome to better your experiences in the Good Shepherd Mothers' Support Group.