

Keeping Healthy and Safe: Arriving at School or Childcare

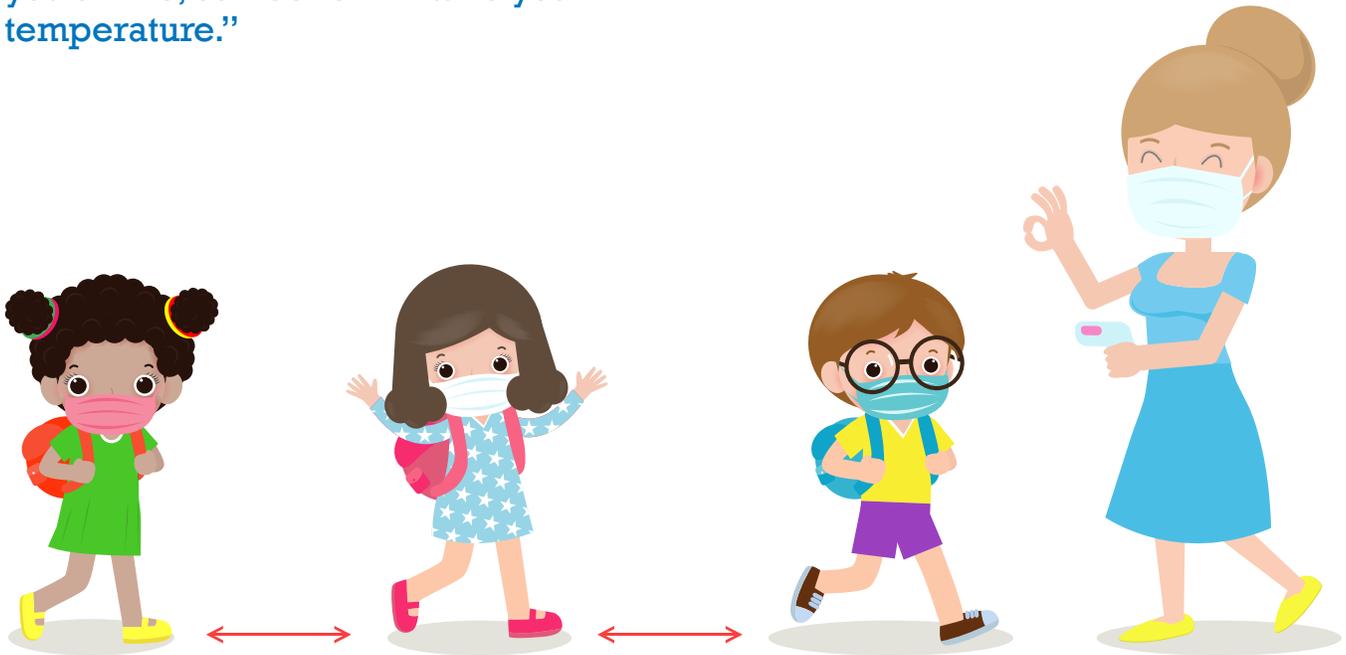
Young children are learning new procedures for arriving at school or childcare. Adults can support them with simple explanations, visual supports, and practice.

Provide a Simple Explanation

Use simple phrases, such as “When you arrive at school, your parent will say goodbye at an outside door instead of at your classroom. When you arrive, someone will take your temperature.”

Use Visual Supports

Post pictures of parents and children saying goodbye outside.



Set Them Up for Success

Provide pictures of children getting their temperature taken.

Provide Practice and Encouragement

Help children and parents develop a drop-off routine, such as a special handshake or hug at the door. Encourage children to describe their routine to their classmates.

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