



HOUSEKEEPER/COOK/FOOD HANDLING AND SANITIZATION

- ❖ Order and cleanliness - disinfecting of **ALL** areas daily/weekly:
 - Vacuum/sweep daily
 - Mop areas as necessary
 - Disinfecting of counters, taps, wall, and stove at the end of each day and as needed during food preparation.
- ❖ Familiarize self with fire, evacuation and emergency procedures.
- ❖ Food handling and sanitation:
 - Kitchen charge person will be required to hold a Food Handling Course through the Health Department.
 - The kitchen is a place of food preparation and clean-up by the person in charge. Classroom staff are encouraged to spend minimal time when picking up food trays, etc. Students should not enter the kitchen but wait at the door for things to be handed to them. Community service students will follow the direction of the kitchen charge person.
 - Hands will be washed upon each entry into the kitchen by everyone.
 - Food will be shared by utensil **ONLY** - tongs, spoons, etc. Each food item will be served from different dishes and with different utensils.
 - Food, fridge, freezer temperatures will be as dictated by the Ministry of Health - information card will be posted in an easily usable location.
 - Food moving to the classrooms will be transported quickly and safely and served as quickly as possible. Temperature sensitive foods will not be left sitting.
 - Gloves must be worn with an open hand wound.
 - Hairnets or caps must be worn during any food handling.
- ❖ Students in the licensed group under 44 months of age (3.8 years) must use the hot lunch program. Students over 44 months may choose to bring lunch from home. Parents are asked to be aware of the Public Health Guidelines for varied and nutritious meals. MLCP is a nut free environment as outlined in our documentation.
- ❖ Meals served will include 4 food groups and snacks will include 2 food groups as required by Public Health. Meals will be varied internationally and ethnically and halal, vegetarian and vegan options offered. Other dietary requirements will be discussed with parents and implemented as needed.
- ❖ Any child who forgets lunch at home will be offered the hot lunch or another option.