

Dear Parents of FFL Kiddie Kove Children,

Welcome to the Friends for Life Kiddie Kove Program! Our Kiddie Kove Staff has been looking forward to meeting your little ones and having fun at Friends for Life all year! This program is for children with diabetes and their siblings and friends, as well as for children of parents with diabetes.

We have three fun days planned, full of activities, games, songs, and crafts surrounding this year's Safari theme. Ready to learn more about what to expect? Please review information below before you come to Friends for Life, and of course, reach out with any questions or concerns.

Our Staff

We have a highly-qualified, experienced group of staff to take care of our smallest Friends for Life, including CDEs, RNs, early childhood educators, and volunteers who either have children or other loved ones with diabetes (or who have diabetes themselves)!

Drop Off and Pick Up Details

Please arrive at least 10-15 mins ahead of time on Wednesday to drop off your children. The first day can be busy as we get to know each one of you. You'll need to check in and check out with staff, who will be sitting outside of Kiddie Kove rooms, before leaving or picking up any child. Anyone who comes to pick up your child needs to be on the official pick up list and needs to be at least 18 years old. Parents, siblings, and other children are not permitted to enter the Kiddie Kove rooms. There are no exceptions to any of these rules, as they are for your child's safety. Please be on-time at breaks and lunch to pick up your children.

Diabetes Details

All children with medical conditions will need to check in with the medical staff. For kids with diabetes, we'll need to be apprised of your child's current blood sugar and their last insulin dose, any special snacks or low treatments, the timing for blood sugar checks, and whatever thresholds you want notifications. You should have received via email the CWD Medical Information form. This form will inform us of any details ahead of time so registration won't take so long. If blood sugar checks are necessary, we will be using a one-time use lancing device. Regarding any additional health concerns, please keep us in the loop as necessary. We're here to help!

Note that **we will not administer insulin**. If a child experiences a high or low blood glucose level, we will call you. We will always immediately treat a low with glucose tabs or juice. Please write your mobile phone number on the back of your child's name badge and have your phone on vibrate mode during sessions so that we can reach you if needed.

If you have any other concerns, please check in with the Kiddie Kove Staff. Our contact information is below:



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We're really looking forward to helping you and your child have the best week ever at Friends for Life. Please let us know how we can be of service, and thanks for your continued trust!

Sincerely, **Jhe Kiddie Kove Jeam**