

## Brooklin Mill Montessori School Protective Measures



### ***We protect the physical and emotional well-being of children.***

Brooklin Mill Montessori School forbids physical punishment and other harmful disciplinary practices as set out under *Child Care and Early Years Act, 2014 (CCEYA)* and *Ontario Regulation 137/15*.

Prohibited practices include:

- corporal punishment of the child;
- physical restraint of the child, such as confining the child to a high chair, car seat, stroller or other device for the purposes of discipline or in lieu of supervision, unless the physical restraint is for the purpose of preventing a child from hurting himself, herself or someone else, and is used only as a last resort and only until the risk of injury is no longer imminent;
- locking the exits of the child care centre or home child care premises for the purpose of confining the child, or confining the child in an area or room without adult supervision, unless such confinement occurs during an emergency and is required as part of the licensee's emergency management policies and procedures;
- use of harsh or degrading measures or threats or use of derogatory language directed at or used in the presence of a child that would humiliate, shame or frighten the child or undermine his or her self-respect, dignity or self-worth;
- depriving the child of basic needs including food, drink, shelter, sleep, toilet use, clothing or bedding; or
- inflicting any bodily harm on children including making children eat or drink against their will.

Should we suspect or observe evidence of child abuse, we will undertake our legal responsibilities to ensure the well-being of all our children and follow our Child Abuse Prevention Policy.

All staff at our school review our program statement, policies, and the prohibited practices annually, prior to interacting with the children and at anytime changes are made.