

Acknowledgement of Support Services

Waterloo Region's Special Needs Resourcing Collaborative (SNRC) supports licensed childcare programs to identify and meet the diverse needs of all children and their families. All children, regardless of their abilities, are supported to thrive in quality inclusive early learning environments.

As a licensed Early Learning Child Care in Waterloo Region, our program is fortunate to be supported by Resource Consultants (KW Habilitation) and Clinicians (KidsAbility) who are team members from the SNRC. Resource Consultants and Clinicians visit and observe our program regularly and may provide an Environment Support Plan (a document that provides universal strategies to support our team, classrooms/programs), resources and training. Consultation supports all children in the group through strategies around child development, behaviour, group management, and environment. This support can be provided for the whole group and may include recommendations intended to help strengthen your child's sense of belonging within their program.

Resource Consultants and Clinicians have the ability to provide support both in person and virtually. On rare occasions and as needed, they can provide virtual consultation through an approved platform as well as through email and/or phone calls. Virtual consultations will not be recorded and will only be used for observation purposes, to help provide appropriate resources and strategies.

While Resource Consultants and Clinicians are observing our program, they may find that some children would benefit from individualized support with certain areas of their development. If this happens, a conversation will take place between yourself and the Educator, Resource Consultant and/or Clinician.

As members of our team, all Resource Consultants and Clinicians follow specific confidentiality policies and are aware of our behaviour guidance policies. Should you have any further questions regarding the role of the SNRC team, our Supervisor/Director, Resource Consultant or Clinician would be happy to review this with you.

I acknowledge that the support services provided by the Waterloo Region's Special Needs Resourcing Collaborative have been reviewed with me, and I understand that this will be a valuable part of my child's experience in licensed childcare program

Child's Name

Parent/Guardian Name (Printed)

Parent/Guardian Signature

ELCC Representative

Date



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