



FAMILY AGENCY

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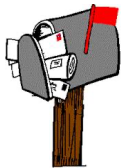
Karing 4 Kids

It takes a big ♥ to help shape little minds.



Please continue with the protocol of social distancing, wearing your masks and hand sanitizing. If you need help with any of these items, please contact our office.

****Important news****



All reimbursement checks will remain mailed out to your home due to COVID-19.

If you do not receive your reimbursement check within 7 days call the office for a replacement.

As a reminder, due to COVID-19, some may receive their checks late and some may not. Karing 4 Kids cannot control the United States Postal Service and we are unable to stop payment of a check and or replace unless you have not received it by the 17th of the month.



Just a reminder, it is your responsibility to assure the minors in your care are completing their necessary school assignments. Resource parents should be checking student portals, arranging meeting times with teachers and school personnel and lastly letting your FFA SW know if assistance is needed in these areas. Meetings have been occurring between our staff and contracting counties in regards to the lack of participation some of our parents display in reference to school related incidents. Karing 4 Kids encourages parents to get involved. Remember part of the parenting plan when accepting placement is supporting your minor's success and helping them learn from their mistakes using positive approach. Let's work together as a team for a successful school year

Karing 4 Kids does understand that this school year can be challenging and frustrating. We are all learning together; however, it is imperative that we assure daily check ins of student work. It is a challenging year for all, our kids need our support and so do you. Please do not hesitate to reach out our staff for your help throughout this school year.



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Things to remember



The child's home files must be kept in a locked drawer, cabinet or in the foster parent's closet. Child's files must be kept up to date and organize at all times. All information regarding a foster child must be kept confidential at all times.

When a minor leaves the home, you are responsible to RETURN the white binder to the assigned FFA social worker ASAP to be able to terminate the minor from our system.

Foster parent Training hours

Every applicant is required to complete 12 hours of annual training before the next anniversary date. For example, If Mr. and Mrs. became resource parent on 7/16/2019 they shall have 24 hours of training before the annual certification on 7/16/2020. All the training hours will have to be documented on your RFA update. If you have any questions regarding your training hours, please call the office. Thank you



If any resource homes have any changes in the home, such as: phone number, moving, new people moving in, etc. Foster parent(s) need to notify Karing 4 Kids or the social worker ASAP!



CPR FIRST AID

If you need CPR/First Aid or Water Safety, please call office before it expires to schedule an appointment. Fresno office (559) 452-9500, Hanford office (559) 583-9500.



On call is always available. If for some reason the on-call line is not answering, please contact Danielle Vieira (559) 394-7166 to report.



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Land Line

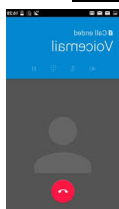
Per CCL regulations (section 88487.9), it is required that the resource family shall have a landline, cellular telephone, or internet telephone service in the home at all times.



Remember to keep up to date on your water safety training.

The training is good for three years and is required wherever a lifeguard is not on duty. If you frequent the lakes, beaches or a friend's pool, this training is required.

Calls & Voicemails



- Phone contact is important to assure everyone's needs are being met. If an outside service provider is attempting to get in contact with you and they are unable, future placements in your home maybe in jeopardy due to non-compliance with service needs.
- All voicemail inboxes should be available to leave voicemail messages.
- Please make sure to check your voicemails and return calls to all services providers
- Karing 4 Kids FFA is here for you and as a whole, We will all get through this together.



Shaken Baby Syndrome & Safe Sleep Training

This 1-hour training course addresses each of these critical topics related to caring for the youngest and most vulnerable population of children, infants, and toddlers. Childcare providers will learn how to optimize development and minimize risk to the children in their care.

Visit the website for more information

Trauma: Shaken Baby Syndrome:

<https://agrillifelearn.tamu.edu/catalog?pagename=SIDS-Shaken-Baby-and-Brain-Development>

Safe Sleep: Reducing Infant-related deaths (SIDS)

<https://agrillifelearn.tamu.edu/product?catalog=COFS-088>



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Friendly Reminders

- If a minor's visitation needs to be cancelled for any reason, please inform your social worker. We may be able to provide assistance as contracted counties do not like when visits are cancelled as they are court ordered.
- Resource parents are unable to waive 14-day notices on behalf of a minor dependent. The waiving of a 14-day notice must come from a Karing 4 Kids supervisor. Please direct the county to contact our office if this should happen.
- Please assure a current phone number is provided to all service providers. It is also prevalent that resource parents answer their phones or get back to a service provider within a 24-hour period
- Children's personal rights must be posted in each foster youths room regardless of age.
- Medications must be locked and inaccessible at all times
- All knives, scissors, lighters, matches, etc, must be stored in a place that is inaccessible to children (locked away).
- Firearms must be stored in a locked area
- Ammunitions must be stored in a locked area separate from the firearms
- All disinfectant, cleaning solutions, and other similar items must be stored in a locked area.



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Expectations for Online Learning

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Be on time for all classes - follow your schedule.

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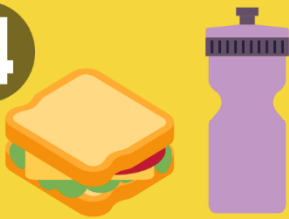
Use Chromebooks for schoolwork only. Turn off by 4PM, do not use on weekends.

3



Dress in school appropriate clothes for your virtual classes.

4



Keep food/drinks away from the Chromebooks.

5



Use your Chromebook where you can focus.

6



Go to sleep at your usual times. It's a regular school day!



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**We appreciate any suggestions or ideas
for our big family events such as:
Halloween and Christmas party.**



**Do not hesitate to call the office or talk
to the assigned social worker.**

