FORGE EARLY LEARNING CENTER

Infant Safe Sleep Practices

In order to prevent SIDS-related incidents, Forge Early Learning Center follows the American Pediatric Association’s recommended “Back To Sleep” safe-sleeping program. This means that all babies under 12 months of age will be placed on their backs in their cribs each time they nap.

In addition:

* Infants will be placed in a safe sleep environment, which includes a firm crib mattress, a tight-fitted sheet and a safety-approved crib. *No other items will be in or attached to the crib except for a pacifier*. We will make exceptions to this policy if we receive a note from a medical provider stating that a child requires alternative sleeping practices.
* Should a child fall asleep in a swing, any other unsafe sleep environment, or arrive to school asleep in a car seat, we will do our best to transfer the child to his or her crib promptly.
* One-piece sleepers/sleep sacks are preferred rather than swaddling an infant in a blanket or swaddler.
* Bibs, necklaces, hoods and any type of string/tie will be removed before an infant is placed in a crib to avoid potential hazards.
* If your child is accustomed to any other sleeping environment, other than the crib, we ask you to begin transitioning your child *before* you anticipated start date at Forge. If your child still requires time for back-sleeping in the crib, we will help the child adjust as soon and as smoothly as possible.