

# Infant Feeding Schedule and Parent Agreement

Rhythm and Rhyme Child Care Center  
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Name of Infant \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

Name of Parent \_\_\_\_\_

Breast Milk  Formula  Name of Formula \_\_\_\_\_

Parent to prepare formula

I want my infant child to follow this schedule:

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I have read and understood the attached regulations set forth by New York State, and will abide by the statements listed above. If there are any changes to my child's schedule or introduction of new foods, I will alert Rhythm and Rhyme Child Care Center. In addition, Rhythm and Rhyme agrees to abide by the parent/guardian's instructions and all New York State regulations.

Parent's signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Provider's signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## 418-1.12 Nutrition

- (e) Children must be helped to gain independence in feeding themselves and should be encouraged to learn acceptable table manners appropriate to their developmental levels.
- (f) Sufficient time, based on age and individual needs, must be allowed for meals so that children will not be hurried.
- (g) Food service and storage, including refrigeration of milk and other perishable foods or formula, must comply with the requirements of Part 14 of the State Sanitary code.
- (h) Safe drinking water must be available to children at all times and must be offered at intervals that are responsive to the needs of the individual children.
- (i) Disposable cups and plates may be used if discarded after use. Plastic eating utensils may be used if such utensils are not easily broken by young children and are discarded after use. Styrofoam cups may not be used for infants or toddlers.
- (j) Providers must obtain a written statement from the parent of each infant in care setting forth the formula and feeding schedule instructions for the infant.
- (k) Where formula is required, such formula may be prepared and provided by the parent, or by a qualified, designated staff person when agreed to in writing by the parent.
- (l) All containers or bottles of formula, breast milk or other individualized food items must be clearly marked with the child's complete name.
  - (1) Unused portions of bottles or containers from which children have been spoon-fed must be discarded after each feeding or placed in a securely tied plastic bag and returned to the parent at the end of the day.
  - (2) Heating formula, breast milk and other food items for infants in a microwave oven is prohibited.
- (m) Every effort must be made to accommodate the needs of a child who is being breast-fed.
- (n) Infants six months of age or younger must be held while being bottle-fed. Other infants must be held while being bottle fed until the infant consistently demonstrates the capability of holding the bottle and ingesting an adequate portion of the contents thereof. The propping of bottles is prohibited.
- (o) Each infant and toddler must be removed from the crib, playpen or cot and held or placed in an appropriate chair for feeding.