

# Copper Sky Child Watch/Child Watch Leap Program Rules (Rev. 6/16/2024)

## Active Membership

To utilize Child Watch or CW/Leap, children must have a membership or have a day pass purchased for them. This must be done at the Membership Desk prior to bringing the child into Child Watch.

## Child Watch & CW/Leap Age Limits

Children between the ages of 18 months to 8 years are allowed in Child Watch. Children must be **AT LEAST** 18 months old in order to utilize Child Watch. On the child's 8th birthday, they have aged out of Child Watch and will need to go into CW/Leap when it is offered. Children between the ages of **7 to 11** years old **ONLY** are allowed in CW/Leap. On the child's 11th birthday, they have aged out of CW/Leap and can utilize Copper Sky lower level without adult supervision. When CW/Leap is not being offered, all children ages 18 months through 11 years will be allowed in Child Watch.

## Time Limit

Copper Sky maintains a time limit for children utilizing Child Watch. Children may be checked in to Child Watch for a maximum of two hours. Staff will let you know when the latest time is that you can pick up your child. The parent or authorized person must remain on site and must respond to an incident in person immediately after notification. Please be prompt in picking your child up. If a parent or authorized adult is more than 5 minutes late picking up, action up to and including suspension from Child Watch may result.

## Waitlists

If the program you want is full, you can request to be put on a waitlist and you will be notified by a Child Watch employee when a space is available.

## Parent/Authorized Person on Premises

While the child is using the Child Watch Facility, the parent/authorized person must stay in the facility or pool area.

## Adults in the Room

We do not allow parents or other adults to remain inside Child Watch while children are present. This is for the safety of all of our young members. However, if your child needs you to walk them in to the room and get them comfortable and settled, we ask that you make your entry brief and limit it to no more than 5 minutes.

## Food & Drink

Food is not allowed in Child Watch facility. We do allow and recommend water in a spill proof container/cup. Please be sure to label anything your child brings in with their name.

## Sick Child

Children that present with a fever (100.4 +), vomiting, diarrhea, or a contagious rash will be sent home. The child must be 24 hours fever-free, no vomiting, no diarrhea, the visible rash has disappeared, or with doctor's notes.

## Lice

Children presenting with live head lice will be sent home. They can come back to Child Watch after appropriate treatment has begun.

## Inconsolable Child

We understand that kids might be nervous, especially their first time here. Our staff will do their very best to calm, soothe, and distract kids as needed. If your child cannot be calmed after 10 minutes, we will page you to return to the room.

## Diapers

Children that are not potty trained are allowed in child watch, but staff does not change diapers. We will page or find the parent if a diaper change is needed.

## Dress Code

Children in Child Watch must be fully clothed, such as a top, bottom, a cover-up for swimsuits and appropriate shoes. Closed toe athletic shoes are recommended for our Active programs.

## Items from Home

Copper Sky Child Watch discourages children from bringing toys, electronics, purses and other items from home. Child Watch is not responsible for lost, stolen or damaged items. Staff also reserves the right to remove any items from children that are found to be disruptive to Child Watch. These items will be put away and then returned to the parent(s) upon check out.

## Medications

Child Watch cannot administer any medications.

## Weather/Air Quality

We try to make sure children have an opportunity to go outside each day in Child Watch. Children are never forced to go outside, and they may come inside at any point. The outside area will remain closed during times of Red Air Quality. Time outside during periods of extreme temperatures will be limited.

## Behavioral Issues

Copper Sky Child Watch programs are a safe place for ALL children. Children in Child Watch are expected to maintain good behavior for their safety and the safety of others. Staff will use redirection or time away from an activity to address a child's behavior if needed. Staff will do their best to correct inappropriate behavior; however, if the behavior continues, or the behavior involves hurting other children or exhibiting unsafe behavior, parents will be called to Child Watch to remove their child for the day. If on repeat visits, the child continues the inappropriate behavior, further actions up to and including being suspended from Child Watch may result.

Child Watch is not equipped to provide 1-on-1 care for children of any age. Children requiring 1-on-1 care may have a licensed personal care assistant (PCA) with them in Child Watch and Child Watch programs.

Copper Sky Child Watch/Child Watch programs will not force any child to participate in any activity they do not wish to do. We will make attempts to get the child to participate, but will not diminish the quality of the experience for others by requiring an unwilling child to participate.

### Authorized Pickup Person(s)

Person(s) picking up the child must either be on the account of the child as the parent or authorized adult. Either parent, guardian or authorized adult can check the child in or out. If one adult or parent checks in, the other may check out. No secondary members or person(s) under the age of 18 may pick up the child.

### Child Watch Certifications and Requirements

Copper Sky Child Watch and Child Watch programs are not licensed and operate as exempt programs. Being a Child Watch employee entails a comprehensive screening and interview process, background check and CPR and First Aid training.

### Child Watch Suspension/Revoking of Privileges

Copper Sky reserves the right to suspend or revoke Child Watch privileges from any person who doesn't follow these policies.

**More questions? No problem! See the Child Watch Recreation Services Leader or Recreation Coordinator and they will be happy to help!**

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