What to Bring: Toddler Room

Diapers, Wipes, and/or Underwear: If your child is still in diapers anticipate that your toddler will require six to eight diapers per day and plan accordingly. Also, include diaper rash cream or ointment. Remember to include extra plastic pants if you are using cloth diapers. Send resealable plastic bags for the dirty ones. If your child is potty learning, provide the same number of training pants as diapers. As for underwear, accidents can and will happen. Send several pairs as back-ups. As your child gets older, wipes will be used for more than just diaper changes. Provide a full container initially and a refill package two/three times a month.

Extra Outfits: Send two to three extra outfits to be stored in your child's cubby. You may find that your toddler goes through more clothing changes per day than he did as a baby. More freedom (to eat solo, paint, play outside, etc.) equals more mess/fun. Store each outfit in a Ziplock bag, which can be used to send dirty or wet clothes home. Be sure to include extra socks, underwear and a pair of sneakers. You can bring a bib for toddler mealtime, as toddlers begin learning to feed themselves, it can be a very messy process. At Little Sunshine House we do a lot of activities, your toddler will be sent outside to play at least twice per day. Since weather and temperatures change, consider keeping a bag of outerwear in the cubby. Include an extra jacket or sweatshirt, rain boots and a hat in the fall and winter.

Label Everything: Put your child's full name on every item that you send to school. Use a permanent marker or consider washable labels or sew-in name tags.

Nap-Time Necessities: If your child is napping at LSH they will need a **smal**l sleep sack/ **small** sleeping bag. An optional favorite lovie or stuffed animal is also suggested if it helps your child finds comfort

Food and Drinks: Lunch box/container with your child’s lunch and separate container with snack. PLEASE LABEL all belongings. The main lunch item can be placed in a thermos if it needs to be served warm. We do not have the ability to heat up each child lunches. If you need help with lunch ideas, please ask. We are a nut free environment please be careful as we typically have at least one child enrolled with a nut allergy. Ask a staff person if you are unsure. Please bring a Water Bottle with water and make sure it is labeled with your child’s name!

Sunscreen: Your toddler will be outside once or twice per day, weather permitting, so apply sunscreen to your child as part of your morning routine and be sure to keep some at daycare so it can be reapplied throughout the day, as needed.

Birthday Celebration: At Little Sunshine House we believe in promoting healthy food choices for children. In order to support this healthy nutrition initiative, we do not serve food of minimal nutritional value (i.e. cupcakes, donuts, candy). Parents should contact their child’s teacher to schedule a child’s birthday celebration. We ask that you bring all natural fruit popsicles such as Outshine. Other celebrations may include friendship fruit salad and friendship soup.

Donations: Baby wipes and soft Kleenex tissues are always welcome.