

Growing Tree Preschool Wildfire Action Plan:
5/25/2021

Living in California brings the potential for extreme heat, PSPS, and wildfire. As we approach Summer and wildfire season in California, we would like to share our Wildfire Action Plan:

In the case of an evacuation:

1. A TEXT message will be sent on Hi mama alerting parents that we are evacuating.
2. Staff will gather our emergency backpacks which have: class lists and parent emergency contacts, extra snacks & water, first aid kits, battery-operated AM radios, flashlights, extra batteries. Children will bring daily backpacks with them.
3. Staff will walk the children using our emergency preschool group walking ropes to the designated parking lot and assemble by class at the entry to "Outdoor Supply Hardware Store".
4. If needed we will stop at the empty lot on Country Club Drive to reevaluate the situation.
5. It is advised that parents do not try to drive to the school during an emergency as such but to meet us in the designated area. (OSH store parking lot)
6. We will always take additional or necessary direction from the Moraga Fire Department.

In case of Excessive Smoke in the Area:

1. If the smoke is from a fire in the outlying Lamorinda area or Oakland Hills, Growing Tree will close as needed.
2. If the smoke is coming from a great distance away from Moraga we will remain in session. Classes will close windows and doors and run air conditioners and air purifiers.
3. If the air quality in Moraga is at dangerous or above we will close for the day. We will use an average of the three AQI available to us and you will be notified by Hi Mama text.

In case of Excessive Heat:

1. Classes will be held inside with doors and windows closed as necessary. Fans, air conditioners, and air purifiers will be on.
2. Water will be available to the children all day.
3. Children's temperatures will be taken throughout the day to guard against overheating.
4. If outside, children will have limited exposure time, plenty of shade and water available to stay cool.

In case of a PSPS:

1. We will take into account any of the above, as well as direction from PG&E as to the length of a power outage.
2. Parents will be alerted to the outage possibility through our Hi mama emergency system.
3. In the event it will be a lengthy outage or otherwise impend our ability to operate safely Growing Tree will close until power is restored.