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Visitor Guidelines

We are glad you are visiting Briar Rose Children's Center. When you come, please ring the bell at the front door. We keep this door locked. We make every effort to make this a peaceful place for the children. Of course, this does not mean the children are always quiet! What it means is that we work toward an atmosphere of calm, purposeful activity. You will notice when you come that the teachers are engaged in work most of the time. This work helps to create a dependable rhythm for the children, as the same work is taken up each week. Monday is washing (laundry) day, Tuesday is baking day, Wednesday is art day, Thursday is fixing and building day, and Friday is cleaning day. You can help us by following these guidelines:

You will probably come on a Tuesday, and you will get to see us baking. If you are offered something to eat, you may accept or decline by saying "Yes, please" or "No, thank you."

- Speak quietly when it is necessary for you to speak.
- You may have questions you want to ask; please save them for after the visit, when someone can talk with you.
- Choose a handwork project to do. We will have something for you to do, or you can bring knitting, sewing, carving, or other small work.
- If the children talk to you, respond quietly and briefly. We are careful not to solve their problems for them, or ask them lots of questions. They may strike up a conversation with you, which is wonderful! Enjoy their creativity, and sincerity.
- Don't initiate conversations with the children. Note that adult voices are seldom heard. You can observe the teachers to see how they communicate with the children with quietly voices or gestures. We do this so that we do not interfere with the children's train of thought or intended activities.

Thank you for your interest! We hope you enjoy your visit to Briar Rose Children's Center.