

BOUCHER POLICY

Policy Title: Children in the Classroom

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Person(s) Responsible for Implementation & Adherence: Provost, Associate Deans, Department Chairs, Instructors

Procedures: Children in the Classroom

Boucher recognizes the need to provide an environment that is conducive to learning and to minimize disruptions within the classroom. The Boucher community also values supporting students who are parents of young children and is committed to providing an environment that encourages and supports breastfeeding. As such, it is the goal of the Boucher administration to create a policy that meets the needs of parents while also providing a suitable learning environment to all students.

To minimize disruption in the classroom and create a learning atmosphere conducive to focused attention and learning, children are not permitted in classrooms while classes are in session. Children may be present in common areas (e.g., the lounge and hallways) if they are not noisy or disruptive. Children may also be present in the classrooms when classes are not in session. Infants and children are permitted in the clinic when being seen as a patient of the clinic.

The Parent and Student Resource Room may also be used for the purpose of parenting while on campus

Exceptions to the policy include;

- Classroom activities where the child is part of teaching and learning (ie pediatric examination)
- For brief visits, exceptional times or emergencies when there is no alternative for child care