

DARC's Policy on Assisting Children under 5 years of age in the restroom and with clothes changing

Often younger children have a difficult time using the bathroom alone and need assistance. Three and four year old children frequently need help getting changed after water day activities. As a general policy, our staff **does not** assist children in the bathroom.

Parents and guardians may choose to permit our staff to assist these children with these activities. Our staff shall practice "two deep leadership" in these situations. There will be two staff members in the bathroom during this assistance. We do this for your child's safety and to protect our staff.

A minimum of two DARC staff members are required to be present for this assistance. One of these staff members must be 21 years of age or older. All of our staff are required to pass PA Child Welfare Clearances. See https://www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis/public/home.