

## **ES Parents' COVID Responsibilities**

In light of COVID-19, the Children's Ministry has outlined below new changes to our classroom operations for Sundays. Please adhere to the following policies in order to maintain the health and safety of you, your child, other families, and our staff:

- You and your child must wear a mask on the **4th floor** and downstairs in the ballroom at all times.
- Elementary children will have their temperature checked at the check-in table. For nursery & preschool children, the parent and child will be temperature-checked at the 4th floor drop-off table. **In the event, your (or your child's) temperature is 100.4, your child will not be permitted into his/her classroom.**
- All children, **ages 2 and up** are required to wear masks

### **Drop-Off/Pick-up**

- Parents must pre-register their child for class. **If you do not register your child, he/she will not be allowed into class. Registration is open Monday at 8 a.m. to Thursday at 12 p.m. the week prior to Sunday.**
- When registering your child for class, you must pick a designated drop off (for nursery & preschool)/pick -up time in order to prevent overcrowding in the elevators, the 4th floor vestibule, and at the bottom of the stairs in the ballroom.
- Parents will not be allowed into the classrooms for drop-off or pick-up. We will not be accepting 'day-of' volunteers.
- For nursery & preschool, an assigned staff or volunteer will escort your child to their assigned classroom from the 4th floor vestibule.
- Elementary children will be dismissed from the worship service to the back of the sanctuary. Only children who have registered, and have a security tag will be permitted to come to class.
- For elementary children, all parents will pick up their child(ren) at the bottom of the stairs outside the ballroom. An assigned volunteer will escort your child to you.
- Upon pick-up, you must present a security tag in order for your child to be released to you. No exceptions!

### **Classroom Operations**

- No snacks will be given during class time (except for water), with the exception of our infants. Infants may receive a bottle if you bring one. Please bring bottles already pre-mixed, prior to dropping your infant off. **Please note: Staff will not be able to heat and mix any bottles in the classroom.**
- Only **10** children will be allowed per class or grade.
- **All Staff & Volunteers are required to be fully vaccinated.**
- Children will be given their own individual coloring supplies (crayons, markers, glue, scissors, etc).
- Tables, chairs and toys will be sanitized by our Operations Team & teachers prior to use.

### **Health & Safety**

- COVID symptoms are defined as follows: **fever (100.4), chills, cough, muscle aches, new loss of sense of smell or taste, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, vomiting, diarrhea.**
- In the event that your child falls ill in class, you will be texted by the site supervisor or a member of our staff to come and pick up your child. Please ensure your phone number is accurate in your Redeemer app.
  - **Please note, your child:** 1) Must remain out of Sunday School for 10 days (since the onset of symptoms) if no COVID test is performed or 2) Show proof of a negative COVID test.

- In either case, your child must be fever-free for a period of 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medications in order to attend class on Sunday
- If you or someone in your household have positive tests for COVID, your child will not be allowed to come to class. Please stay home and quarantine for 14 days. Also, click [HERE](#) for CDC guidelines in case you or your child falls ill.

## FAQ's

What happens if I or my spouse tests positive for COVID, but our child is negative?

**Answer:** We would ask that your child not come to class and that you and your spouse begin quarantine for 14 days. Please click [HERE](#) for guidance on how to isolate safely.

Will we have to register our child for Sunday School class?

**Answer:** Yes. In order to ensure safe social distancing for our kids and maintain proper teacher to student ratios (3 ft of social distance).

How many kids will be allowed per classroom?

**Answer:** 10

Should my child, who is age 2, wear a mask in the classroom?

**Answer:** Yes.

Will both my child and I be temperature checked?

**Answer:** Yes. When you come up to the 4th floor, you will be temperature checked by the nursery greeter or site supervisor. Please note, if you have a temperature of 100.4<sup>0</sup> (38.0<sup>0</sup>C), your child will not be admitted into the classroom.

NOTE: For elementary children, only your child will have his/her temperature checked.

Will I be allowed to stay in the classroom with my child?

**Answer:** No. Unless you are scheduled to volunteer in that classroom that morning. We will not be accepting parent volunteers on the morning of. We understand how difficult it might be for your child to separate from you (and vice versa), but rest assured our staff and volunteers will care for your child while you are in service.

What happens if my child is having a hard time separating from me?

**Answer:** Separation anxiety is completely normal. We would ask that you provide us with some techniques or a toy to help him/her feel more relaxed. However, if your child is unable to separate from you at drop-off, we will not take your child from you. We will not be accepting parent volunteers on the morning of. You are free to try again next week.

What will happen if a teacher or child tests positive for COVID-19 in my child's class?

**Answer:** In the event this happens, we have encouraged all staff/volunteers and families to disclose if they or a family member has tested positive for COVID-19. Once the site supervisor has been notified, she will reach the Children's Ministry Director, who will contact Kelsie Kim (Redeemer Human Resources Department) and then you will receive a phone call or text message informing you of a possible exposure.