

Children's Ministry Reopening

Children's Ministry is NOW REOPENED! Below you will find what we are doing to keep you all safe and how you can prepare as we come back into Children's Ministry in person.

WHO

We will be reopening all Children's Ministry birth - 5th grade.

At this time, Gate B3 (our special needs class) will still be meeting online and with their Buddies and will NOT have an in-person class.

WHAT we will be doing

As each child is checked in to Children's Ministry, we will check their temperature and the temperature of all family members accompanying them. For your child to be able to enter Children's Ministry, all temperatures taken must be below 100.4 F.

As another safety measure, every volunteer will have on either a face mask or face shield, but children are not required to wear a face mask or face shield.

To ensure we do all can to create a clean and safe space for your child, we are asking that you [RSVP to reserve your child's spot in Children's Ministry](#). This will help us know who is coming and how to keep class sizes small. Please complete this form to secure your spot!

Each week after cleaning, all Children's Ministry areas will be sprayed with a professional-grade disinfectant called [IsoKlean. This continues to work and kill germs for up to 10 days](#). IsoKlean is safe for the kids and the classrooms. In addition, the toys in the nursery and preschool will be disinfected between IsoKlean sprayings. We will be encouraging social distancing with the kids and the teachers.

WHAT you can do to prepare

Follow the [CDC guidelines](#) for any exposure to COVID you or your immediate family come into. If you send your child with a mask or face shield, mark it with their initials or put their name on it. We will do what we can to make sure they keep it on. If you plan to send them in a mask or face shield, talk with your child about the proper way to wear a mask and keep it on. Please talk to them about social distancing and keeping their hands to themselves. I know kids will be excited to see each other, but we want to be as socially distanced as possible.

If possible, please send 1 parent or family member down for the CHECK IN and CHECK OUT processes. Because of the longer check in process with the added temperature checks, we want to stay socially distanced and limit crowding in these areas.

RSVP and reserve your spot for Children's Ministry! If I don't know you are coming, I can not guarantee you a spot. You have to complete our [RSVP to have a spot in Children's Ministry](#).

WHERE

Preschool: Nursery - preschoolers will be dropped off at either the normal checkin location or our new checkin station. This new checkin station is for families with kids nursery - preschool. Children 3 - 5 years old will be escorted by one of our volunteers to their classroom. Parents of kids in the NURSERY - 2 YEAR OLD'S will be allowed to walk their child to their room. This is to limit the number of people in the hallway.

ALL of our preschoolers will stay in their rooms the entire time; large group will now be done in the individual classrooms.

Elementary: After the elementary students have completed the checkin process, the elementary students will go up the stairs to the Loft (our large group room). We will have stage games and other fun activities for them to do before the programming starts. The Game

Room will be closed for this season. After large group, the students will break out into their small groups, which will have a limited number of students allowed in each group. After small group, they will return to the large group room for pickup.

QUESTIONS

What if someone in my immediate family gets COVID?

We ask that you follow [the current CDC guidelines](#) before anyone in the family returns. Please inform the Children's Ministry Office so that we can help meet any needs you may have and to safely minister to other families.

What if one of the kids in my child's class gets COVID?

Every parent from the class will be notified if one of our students contracts COVID. You will be allowed to return to church the following week as long as your child is not showing symptoms.

HOW can I help you?

I am here for you. Please let me know how we can be there for your family at this time.

[There is a video walkthrough of the Children's Ministry area which should give you a good idea of what Children's Ministry will look like with our new guidelines.](#) If you have any further questions please let me know. You can call Rachel Misch (Children's Minister) at 770-954-9332 or email rachel.misch@mccreach.org.