



# Children's Ministries

 AT HINSDALE COVENANT CHURCH

## Hinsdale Covenant Church Children's Ministry Safety Policies and Procedures

We are thankful we can offer children's ministry programming during the pandemic with the implementation of the following safety measures. Though we are taking precautions to keep everyone safe, we cannot eliminate the risk of COVID-19 exposure and need everyone's help in complying with our policies and procedures.

If anyone in your household is sick or experiencing any of these symptoms, we ask that you stay home for 14 days after symptom onset or until you have received a negative COVID-19 test or alternative diagnosis from your healthcare provider: Fever, chills, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, cough, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea.

Children displaying any COVID-19 symptoms will be separated from the other children and caregivers will be contacted to pick-up their child.

If you, your child or anyone in your family has been exposed to or diagnosed with COVID-19, we ask that you follow the safety protocols established by your healthcare provider and stay home.

### Nursery

Nursery care will be available beginning in November to children ages birth to age 5 during the 10:30 service. Children may be dropped off downstairs before the service begins and picked up within 10 minutes after the service. We ask that only one caregiver drop-off their child to minimize the number of people in our downstairs space.



In the nursery, we will not require children to physically distance from one another given their age and level of understanding, though we will not allow children to closely share toys and will try to help them maintain personal space. The limit will be 10 children in the nursery.



Kids ages 2 and older, staff and volunteers will be required to wear a mask.



A HEPA air purifier will be in place in the nursery, cleaning the air in our space up to 5 times per hour.

We ask that you clean your child's hands before and after nursery drop-off and pick-up using either the bathroom sink by the nursery or hand sanitizer if you prefer.

Please have your child(ren) use the restroom before church. For children who are not potty trained, please make sure your child's diaper/pull-up is dry. We do not change diapers or pull-ups. Parents/guardians will be texted if their child needs a diaper/pull-up change. Please make sure to have your phone with you on vibrate. A changing table is available for your use in the downstairs bathroom. We ask that you use the sanitizing wipes provided to clean the changing pad after changing your child's diaper/pull-up.

All surfaces and toys will be cleaned and disinfected between services.



We will take the temperature of children and caregivers using the nursery.

## Sunday Kids Camp

Kids ages kindergarten thru 4th grade are welcome to participate in Sunday Kids Camp during the 10:30 service. Please check your child into the gym before the service and pick-up your child from the gym within 10 minutes after the service.



We will encourage physical distancing to the extent possible. For SKC, we have placed markers on the gym floor six-feet apart to help children physically distance from one another. In an effort to maintain proper physical distancing, SKC will be limited to 25 children.



We will provide all children with hand sanitizer upon check-in.

Please have your child(ren) use the restroom before church. Should your child require use of the bathroom, a volunteer will lead them back to the service so a parent/guardian can assist them.

Surfaces will be cleaned and sanitized between surfaces.



We will take the temperature of children and caregivers checking in to Sunday Kids Camp.

Thank you for your compliance with these policies and procedures that will help protect us all and allow us to gather in worship together. If you have any questions, please contact [Pastor Joy](#) or [Jade Cook](#).