

Wellness Policy

Symptoms within the past 24 hours: We cannot check in a child who is exhibiting (or has exhibited in the past 24 hrs) any of the following symptoms

- Fever of 100 degrees F or greater
- Pale/Flushed skin color
- Diarrhea, nausea, vomiting, complaints of a stomachache
- Pink eye or other eye infections
- Persistent and/or productive cough, Sore throat
- Stuffy/runny nose (yellow, green)
- Rashes on the face or body
- Cold symptoms such as: runny nose, pink eyes, sore throat, headaches, extreme fatigue/lethargy, etc...
- Any symptoms of common childhood diseases, such as chicken pox, strep throat, hand foot and mouth, head lice, etc.
- Has had contact with someone with a confirmed diagnosis of COVID-19 in the past 14 days or have been diagnosed with COVID-19 in the past 14 days.

Here are a few more details to be aware of:

Recent Illness:

Children who have been ill within the past 3 days need to have had at least 24 hours of non-medicated recuperation time before coming to class.

Possible Illness:

We will ask a parent to remove their child from class, and from further exposure to others, if we suspect they have a contagious illness or become ill during class.

Medication: Please note that teachers cannot administer medication. If a child requires medication (such as inhaler or any routine medicine) during the service, we ask that the parent administer it.

Procedures:

- The Children's Garden will be open for drop off at 9:40 a.m. Please remember it will take a bit longer to check-in so arrive accordingly.
- After checking in at the west doors, a volunteer will escort you to the Children's Garden.

- For your convenience, sanitizing stations will be available at check-in and check-out.
- All children older than 2 will be required to wear a mask in the building.
- We are asking that just one parent or guardian enter for drop-off and pick-up to aid with physical distancing. We encourage that same parent to drop-off and pick-up. Anyone else attending service with you will need to exit the building with the rest of your section.
- We will be monitoring foot traffic and may at times limit the amount of people in the Children's Garden for everyone's safety and wellbeing.
- Upon arriving in the Children's Garden, you will be greeted, asked to sign in, and asked to take your child to the bathroom (if they need). We do encourage younger children to do a "must-try".
- Each parent and child will be given a cardstock picture. Upon entering the Children's Garden, your child(ren) will find the hula hoop with their matching picture.
- Inside the hula hoop they will find a bag of supplies with markers, glue, etc... This bag will be their bag to use until we return to sharing supplies.
- Inside each hula hoop will also be materials for the weekly pre-session activity. These will rotate between crafts, colorings, games, and other fun activities.
- We will have circle as a group. Any items which are touched will be sanitized weekly.
- Depending on the number of kids, volunteers, and other additional considerations, we will either divide into classes or remain as a group for class time.
- Snacks and drinks: We will not be providing shared food and drink. Please send your child with a water bottle labeled with their name on it. We encourage you to bring snacks for in the car before/after church.
- When picking up your child(ren), you will enter the Children's Garden through the double doors. A volunteer will bring your child(ren) to you along with a sign-out sheet.
- After signing your child(ren) out, please exit the Children's Garden through the single door on the west to the sidewalk outside.

Hand-Washing Practices

- Staff and volunteers will be asked to sanitize their hands immediately upon arriving in the Children's Garden.

- We will encourage frequent hand sanitization among children and volunteers.

Classroom Cleaning Processes

- All classrooms and bathrooms will be wiped down and high-touch surfaces will be sanitized weekly (bathrooms, tables, objects or toys which may be used next week).
- In addition to weekly professional cleaning, surfaces will be sprayed with a non-toxic plant based (thyme) spray which kills 99.9% of bacteria for 72 hours. Please e-mail childrensgarden@unitydenver.org for more information on this product.

Additional Practices for Infection Control

- Staff & volunteers will wear masks. All children above the age of 2 will also be required to wear a mask.
- Staff & volunteers will use gloves during snack times.
- We will be limiting the use of shared items by implementing separate curriculum supplies and classroom activities per child/family.
- We will practice social distancing within the Children's Garden, we appreciate you help in coaching your kids about this.

Babies and Preschoolers: At this time, we will not providing care/classes for children preschool and below.

- You may bring in diaper bags/backpacks for little ones.
- Please do not bring any toys that make noise.
- If your child will be using a tablet or other electronic devise for entertainment during the service, please also bring headphones for them to use.
- We are recommending you reserve seating in the fellowship room. Your child(ren) will have a surface for play which might make entertaining easier. **This DOES NOT mean you cannot reserve seating in the sanctuary. You and your children are welcome to sit in the sanctuary. We want to make this a positive experience for you and your child(ren)!**
- We will provide an activity bag for each child which will include:
 - Crayons
 - Paper/coloring sheets
 - Playdough
 - Magnetic drawing board
- Activity bags will be given to you upon checking in at the East doors into the church. You will find a container at the back of the sanctuary and the double

doors out of the Fellowship Room to place these bags in as you leave. **Please do not take the bags home!**

- If you child(ren) need to use the rest room during service, please use the path created in the gathering space which will maintain social distancing. If you are unsure about the route, please find a volunteer to help assist you.
- Diaper changes:
 - A changing station is located in nursery
 - You are welcome to use this at any point
 - Located at the changing station:
 - Wipes
 - Sanitizing wipes for changing pad
 - Hand sanitizer
 - Trash can
 - Ziploc bags for dirty clothes
 - Please use the sanitizing wipes to wipe down changing pad after each use.