

Parent's Day Out



“He called a little child to him, and placed the child among them. And he said: “Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Therefore, whoever takes the lowly position of this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. And whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me.”
Matthew 18:2-5

Introduction:

The Children's Ministry at Trinity Baptist Church is so excited about seeing you and reconnecting with our wonderful children and their families. As we prepare to re-engage in Parent's Day Out (PDO), we have worked extremely hard to provide a safety plan with protocols that have been put in place and designed to help every parent and child feel safe upon your return. Please carefully read the material that is provided in its entirety to get a clear picture of what you can expect as you and your child re-connect with us for PDO.



Phase Red:
Closed



Phase Orange:
In person, with
extreme caution



Phase Yellow:
In person, yield moving
forward slowly



Phase Green:
In person, all systems go

Preparation of the Children's Facility:

- Restrooms will be cleaned before during, and after each ministry session
- Rugs have been removed from the classrooms
- Bye-bye buggies will not be used at this time
- Playgrounds will be cleaned routinely

Staff Check-in Protocol:

- All children's staff will have their temperature taken each day
- By entering the building, the staff acknowledges that they have not been in close contact with someone diagnosed with COVID-19, on fever reducing medication in the last 24 hours and does not have any of the following symptoms: cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea, vomiting or diarrhea.
- Staff will engage in healthy hand hygiene and wash hands frequently
- Staff will be required to wear facemasks
- Gloves will be worn at specific times to provide extra safety
- Social distancing will be encouraged when possible
- Staff will be required to wear gloves to access resource rooms
- Staff will be required to wipe down computer after each use

Drop-off and Pick-up:

When parents are dropping off their child, they are confirming that their child has not been in close contact with someone diagnosed with COVID-19, on fever reducing medication in the last 24 hours and does not have any of the following symptoms: cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea, vomiting or diarrhea.

Only authorized staff will be allowed into the building at this time which unfortunately means parents will not be allowed to enter. Due to this change, we will have videos with virtual tours for each classroom for parents and children to see. Classroom schedules will also be provided.

Drop-off:

Drop-off and Pick-Up will take place in the front parking lot. The parking lot facing Mulberry Ave.

- Drop-off will begin at 9 am.
- The drop-off/pick-up sign with child's name and classroom should be displayed
- Parents will drive up and take their child out of the car and car seat
- Your child's temperature will be taken by a staff member
- Your child will then be taken into the building by a staff member and walked to their classroom

Pick-Up:

- Pick-up will begin at 1:45 pm
- Parents will drive up with the drop-off/pick-up sign with child's name and classroom displayed
- Your child will be brought to your car

*If there is a need to pick up your child early, please text Monica at 956-463-6563 to arrange a pick-up time. Please give us proper notice so we can have your child ready to go.



Additional Safety Measures:

- Children in the Tigers and Leopards classes will be required to wear a mask
 - We understand this may be especially challenging for young children so teachers will guide them with gentle reminders to keep their mask on
 - Masks may be taken off during outside playtime and when physical distancing is possible
- We will not encourage activities that place students from other classrooms in less than 6 feet of one another for prolonged periods, or that occur in confined indoor spaces for prolonged periods to minimize known sources of transmission
- Class size will be restricted
- Schedules will be modified to create traffic flow that minimizes contact between classes
- Naptime mats will be spaced out to reduce the potential for viral spread
- Playroom times will be staggered. During this phase, the library and outdoor playground cannot be used
- Water fountains will be turned off and covered
- Handouts, crafts and art activities will be sent home in plastic baggies
- Any rooms used during the school day will be disinfected and sanitized after each PDO day. It is the responsibility of the facilities team to disinfect and sanitize the spaces and rooms used.
- The bathrooms in each classroom will be cleaned after each use by teachers
- Cuddle toys will remain in the child's bag until nap/rest time
- If a child exhibits symptoms of COVID-19, parents will be contacted immediately and the child will be taken to an isolation room until they are picked up
- Parents must have access to their cell phone or provide a number where they can be reached during the day
- Teachers may require parents to send simple supplies (crayons, markers, etc) which will only be used by that child
- Per the advice of the CDC, events such as the Fall Fun Day Parade and the Christmas Program will be suspended

Resources:

This plan has used resources and data from:

- The CDC
- Dr. Harold Brandt- Internal Medicine Doctor
- Lifeway
- North Carolina Baptist Convention
- Other Churches
 - Alamo Heights United Methodist Church, First Baptist Church Houston, First Baptist Church San Antonio, First Presbyterian Church of San Antonio, Laurel Heights United Methodist Church, Park Cities Baptist Church Dallas, Park Hill Baptist Church San Antonio, South Main Baptist Church Houston, St. Johns Episcopal Church New Braunfels, Tallowood Baptist Church Houston, Wilshire Baptist Church Dallas, Woodland Baptist Church San Antonio, BT McAllen, First Baptist Church Marble Falls
- NSISD
- SAISD
- NEISD
- Alamo Heights ISD
- North Carolina Baptist Convention
- New Orleans JCC