



KID STREET NEWS & INFORMATION UPDATE: CORONAVIRUS PROCEDURES

Dear Kids Street Parents,

Health, safety, and security continue to be a vital part of our Kids Street children's ministry. As parents, we realize that you are understandably concerned and want to know your child is safe while in our care.

Even during "normal" times, we have a strict schedule of hygiene and cleanliness for all rooms, toys, etc. However, due to the current climate, we want you to know that WE are taking the following EXTRA precautions to help ensure that your child has the most healthy environment possible at Kids Street and that we continue to be a place that parents can trust.

OUR PART:

- *We are ensuring the availability of hand sanitizer in the rooms for the workers and stations in the building for the parents/children.*
- *We will wipe down our check-in areas and kiosk screens after every session.*
- *We will increase our scheduled wiping down of the rooms and toys.*
- *We are confirming the regular hand cleaning process, even increasing.*
- *We have taken out lesson activities that involve close interaction between kids.*
- *We have discontinued the use of all Playdough in the classrooms.*
- *We have discontinued serving snacks to those classes who normally receive them.*
- *As with our current adult offering policy, we will also not pass the offering plates. Instead, any child who brings an offering will be invited to bring it to the front and drop it in the offering plate.*

These enhanced health steps will be in place as long as they are needed, even for weeks or maybe longer.

As parents, we need YOU to help by adhering to the following Wellness Policy, which has also been enhanced (with the bold points) to keep children with ANY cold symptoms at home.

YOUR PART:

Children SHOULD NOT attend if they have any of the following symptoms:

- ***Runny nose or cough (this is new – enhanced/temporary)***
- ***Fever – 100 degrees or higher within the last 36 hours (without fever-reducing medication)***
- ***Vomiting within the last 24 hours***
- ***Diarrhea within the last 24 hours***
- ***Any rash that is suspected to be contagious***
- ***If your child is prescribed an antibiotic, they must have been on the antibiotic for a minimum of 48 hours prior to attending***

Thanks so much for your adherence to this wellness policy. If you have any questions concerning this policy, please don't hesitate to ask for more details.



GET THE LATEST:

Start by reading the CDC bulletins. These include the link to the specific article below, with updated information.

- <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/specific-groups/children-faq.html>

HELP FOR TALKING WITH YOUR CHILDREN:

We want to help parents know how to discuss COVID-19 with their children. Below are the links to some articles we believe will be helpful in these conversations.

- *Coronavirus Anxiety: Here's How to Talk to Your Kids about the Outbreak Fox News (by Sissy Goff)*
- *How to Talk to Kids About Coronavirus NYT Parenting (by Jessica Grose)*
- *Talking with children about Coronavirus Disease 2019: Messages for parents, school staff, and others working with children CDC.gov*
- *How to Talk to Your Kids About Coronavirus PBS Parenting (by Deborah Farmer Kris)*

Should things change, we will notify you. And as always, if you feel uncomfortable bringing your children during this time, we completely understand. Nothing is more important than the health, safety, and security of our children.

Thanks again for allowing us to minister to your children and your family.

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