

# **RETURNING TO CHURCH**

## **FAQ's for Parents of 1st -6th Graders**

### **Q - What are the guidelines for class sizes?**

A - We will consider and follow to the extent possible, the following recommendations: 1st thru 6th Grade - 10:1 ratio

### **Q - What strategies will be used to support social distancing in the classrooms?**

A - To the extent possible, social distancing will be encouraged. Classes will not be combined.

### **Q - What cleaning and disinfecting enhancements can we expect?**

A - In addition to our existing protocols, efforts will be intensified. We have a comprehensive plan to maintain a healthy environment. Items that cannot be easily cleaned and sanitized have been removed from the classrooms. Items will be limited as to the number that can reasonably be expected to clean after each use. Each classroom has access to hand sanitizer and sinks for hand washing. To minimize the sharing of supplies, individual boxes of supplies will be provided for each child containing scissors, glue sticks, crayons, markers, etc.

### **Q- What are the procedures for drop-off?**

A - Traffic entering the building is limited to parents and children. All other traffic will be redirected. As families gather, signage will provide social distancing reminders. Each family will receive a copy of our wellness policies. Parents will enter through the double doors and will use the exit door closest to the elevator when leaving the building. The downstairs check-in stations are reserved for preschool families and will be monitored by a staff member. Families with 1st - 6th grade are requested to check-in upstairs. This will help keep our hallways from becoming crowded.

**Q - Are there any screening policies for the children?**

A - Parents should monitor the health of their child and not attend if they are displaying any symptoms related to COVID-19. While temperature checks will not be required for children, parents will confirm that their child's health is compliant with our wellness policies and that they do not have any symptoms related to COVID-19. Screening will take place at check-in. Children unable to pass the screening will not be able to enter the classroom.

**Q - Will there be health screening for staff?**

A - Upon entering the facility, all PAID staff will be screened. The screening will include a temperature check and documentation to confirm that they do not have any of the symptoms related to COVID-19, and are in compliance with our existing wellness policies. Employees unable to pass the screening will not be able to remain in the building.

**Q - Will volunteers be health screened?**

A - Volunteers will be trained to self-screen before arriving for service.

**Q - Will masks be worn in the 1st - 6th-grade classrooms?**

A - 1st-6th graders may wear masks, but are not required. It will be recommended that our leaders wear them during class, but are able to remove them when teaching and observing 6 ft. social distancing. We know that facial expressions are a primary tool for communication with children and bring a sense of safety and comfort to them. Leaders will use wisdom and discernment as they teach and care for the children in their classrooms.

**Q - What are the pick-up procedures?**

A - To avoid large gatherings in the halls and at the classroom doors, we are limiting traffic entering the building. We encourage families to limit visiting with others while inside the building.