

Housekeeping Items | Spring 2021

Hello, Parents! Thank you for giving us an opportunity to partner alongside of you in the discipleship of your child. Beyond showing children Jesus, we also want to maintain a safe and healthy place for the children who participate in *Lost and Found* and *The Bridge*. Here are some guidelines as the program kicks off to help the year run smoothly:



Mask Up

Wear a mask coming in and out of the building.*

Our Wednesday night children's ministries continue to meet inside. And until Indiana Governor Holcomb lifts the state-wide Mask Mandate, we will be **requiring everyone ages 4+ to wear a mask while inside the building on Wednesday evenings***. If you or your child forget your mask, we will have disposable masks available at the Children's Ministries check-in desk.

** The Indiana State Mask Mandate allows for masks to be removed indoors when students are socially distanced 6+ feet apart. We plan to offer several of those moments throughout the night and will communicate that to the children.*



Water Bottles

Bring a water bottle labeled with your child's name.

Drinking fountains will not be in use, so we're asking you to bring a water bottle with your child's name on it.



Drop Off

Use the main entrance & accompany your child.

WHERE TO ENTER: Please enter through the **Main Entrance** of the church, and then proceed to the **Children's Ministry Wing** to drop of your child at their appropriate class. You do not need to check them in at the Check-in Desk. Please do not enter or exit through the church's side-doors.

ACCOMPANY YOUR CHILD: Please accompany your child to his or her classroom—that way each child will be handed off directly to their leaders from their parent(s) or guardian(s). Please do not drop off your child under the carport of the building and send them inside.



Pick Up

Use main entrance & parents/guardians only.

WHERE TO ENTER: As you dropped off your children and entered in through the **Main Entrance**, please do the same when picking up your child.

PARENT/GUARDIAN PICK UP: Ministry leaders will dismiss children to their parent(s) or guardian(s). Please do not have an older sibling pick up your child.

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Cancellation
We'll announce weather cancellations online.

Weather Cancellations: Weather cancellations will be announced on these two websites:

- www.FaceBook.com/ChristsCovenant/
- www.WNDU.com/weather/closings/

Schedule Updates: Our schedule may change due to weather cancellations. If this occurs, we'll adjust the schedule as needed and post the revision on: www.ChristsCovenant.org/blog/

WHEN YOUR CHILD IS SICK

The season for colds and sicknesses will soon be here, and we are also mindful of the risk that COVID-19 poses. Help us maintain a healthy environment to protect everyone who participates. We want to encourage both parents and children to be mindful of how they're feeling before they come and to be honest. We're counting on you to help us meet together safely. Thank you!

When should you keep your child home from Wednesday night activities? Here are our guidelines:

- If your child has had a **fever** in the past 24 hours.
- If your child has had an incident of **diarrhea or vomiting** in the past 24 hours.
- If your child has a **persistent cough or persistent sneezing**.
- If your child has a **sore throat**.
- If your child has **chills**.
- If your child has a **headache**.
- If your child has **congestion, runny nose, or colored mucus**.
- If your child has been experiencing **shortness of breath/difficulty breathing**.
- If your child has a **loss of taste and/or smell**.
- If your child has **matted, red, swollen eyes, or thick discharge from the eyes**.
- If your child has an **unexplained rash or open sores**.

If a leader believes that one of these is occurring, he or she will contact you to discuss next steps—potentially your child may need to be sent home for the evening.

If you suspect your child has had or recently recovered from COVID-19 during the school year (September 2020–April 2021), please contact **Jordan Weddle**, *Director of Children's Ministries*, to discuss notifications & plans for returning to Wednesday Night Programs: **574.267.8973** | jweddle@christscovenant.org

Thanks again for partnering with us and helping us create a safe & healthy environment for all!

~ *The Family Ministries Team*