

Hope Lutheran School

Summer Child Care Safety Information

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Due to the COVID-19 outbreak, Hope Lutheran has implemented new health and safety protocols in order to protect the health of our students, families, and staff during our 2020 Summer of Hope Child Care Program. These new protocols have been implemented using recommendations taken from the CDC (Center of Disease Control) and local community guidelines.

New Safety Protocols

Daily Health Check

- **Drop Off:** Upon daily arrival, students and staff will be screened with non-touch thermometers for fever (100.4 degrees and above) and illness at an outdoor screening area prior to entering the facility. Here we will have our sign-in sheet with sanitized pens and hand sanitizer for application before students enter the facility. If it is determined that fever or illness is present, entry will not be allowed. Non-essential visitors will not be permitted into the facility.
- **Sick at Program:** If a student is found to be sick while attending our program, the student will be separated from other children, required to wear a mask, and the parent(s) will be notified for immediate pickup. The affected areas will be closed off and disinfected. If it is determined that a student has tested positive for Covid-19, we will then assess the risk for next steps, which may include a short 2 to 5 day building dismissal to clean. The student's identity will be kept confidential. Health officials would be contacted.

Student Small Groups

Students will be placed in small groups of 10 or less, and groups will remain together for the entire day. Groups will not intermingle and will rotate through different activity centers using our Fellowship Hall, classrooms, playground, and common areas. Dedicated cleaning staff will disinfect and clean all areas in between rotations.

Staff and Student Standards and Practices

- Student masks will be provided but are not required. Staff will label student masks and if masks are used during the day, staff will sanitize masks that are used at the end of the day.
- Dedicated Staff will be assigned to sanitize high frequency touch and play areas, including toys at regular intervals throughout the day.
- Frequent Staff and Student hand washing will be required. Indoor and outdoor hand washing stations will be monitored by Staff.
- Staff will teach and reinforce healthy hygiene practices to students daily.

How Parents/ Guardians Can Help

- Take your child's temperature and evaluate them for symptoms of illness before bringing them to school.
- When arriving, parents should escort their children to the designated health screening area. If you must drop off with a staff member, please do not leave until your child has been screened.
- When on campus, all members of your family should abide by normal community guidelines of proper social distancing and good hygiene to the best of their ability. Essential visitors only.
- Have a conversation with your child to help them better understand the importance of why these changes have been implemented.