

Preparedness Plan for Calvary Baptist Church Ministry Areas that Serve Minors

We want your child in class learning and growing in Christ. We value your commitment to bringing your child to church, and we want to assure you that we are taking positive, proactive steps to address the spread of COVID-19. With that in mind, we have developed the following plan for Calvary Baptist Church areas that serve persons under the age of 18. These guidelines are interim procedures and subject to change as the situation develops or at the discretion of each ministry area.

4 Stages of Preparedness (adapted from TEA Public Health Planning Guidelines):

- PROVIDE NOTICE
- PREVENT
- RESPOND
- MITIGATE

PROVIDE NOTICE:

- 1-2 weeks prior to start of on-campus activities, families will be informed in writing through physical letter, email, campus signage and social media of the following precautions Calvary is prepared to take:
 - a. All areas will be cleaned and sanitized before and after each hour to ensure a safe environment.
 - b. Minors will be periodically encouraged to wash hands thoroughly, use hand sanitizer, and follow instructions given by volunteers and staff.
 - c. Some areas will be implementing no-contact temperature taking stations to ensure the safety of all.
 - d. Volunteers/staff will be trained in sanitizing procedures and made aware of all policies and procedures for on-campus activities.
 - e. All services provided will also have an online option for those still unwilling or unable to attend on-campus activities.

PREVENT:

- 1-2 weeks prior to start of on-campus activities, families will be informed in writing through physical letter, email, campus signage and social media of the following preventative measures we would like families to take:
 - a. Parents are asked to please keep minors at home if they have exhibited the following symptoms: feeling feverish or a fever greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit, loss of taste or smell, cough, difficulty breathing, shortness of breath, headache, chills, sore throat, shaking or exaggerated shivering, significant muscle pain or ache, or diarrhea.

- b. If minors have been lab-confirmed to have COVID-19, parents are asked to follow quarantine protocols and guidelines as directed by their physician before returning to on-campus activities.
- c. Parents will be informed by the appropriate ministry area if their minor begins to show symptoms of COVID-19.
- d. It is STRONGLY suggested that all minors participating in on-campus activities wear masks at all times. Volunteers and staff in areas dealing with minors will wear masks. Minors without masks will not be turned away.

RESPOND:

- In the event that minors with lab-confirmed cases are found to have attended on-campus activities:
 - a. All minors, volunteers, and parents of minors will be notified as immediately as possible if they have come into contact with an individual(s) who has a lab-confirmed positive test for COVID-19.
 - b. Affected classes and activities will cease meeting or transition to online only for 10 days, and areas that were heavily used by the individual(s) will be thoroughly cleaned and sanitized.

MITIGATE (training for staff/volunteers):

- Best practices for mitigating the likelihood of spreading COVID-19 in shared spaces for on-campus activities include but are not limited to:
 - a. Hand sanitizing stations should be set up in student, children, and preschool areas.
 - b. Minors, volunteers, staff, parents, and visitors should be encouraged to sanitize or wash hands frequently. They should also be encouraged to practice good hygiene by covering coughs or sneezes with a tissue or with the bend of their elbows. After a cough or sneeze, hands should be washed and tissues should be disposed of.
 - c. Ministry areas should arrange for continual cleaning and sanitizing of frequently touched areas and surfaces (following the CDC guidelines on cleaning community buildings).
 - d. Ministry leaders should ensure that cleaning products are made available in each area, but that harmful substances remain out of the reach of minors.
 - e. Signage and instructional posters should be maintained and referred to when teaching COVID-19 safety protocols to all participants in on-campus activities.
 - f. Whenever possible, social distancing should be encouraging during on-campus teaching and activities.