

Concordia Lutheran Church COVID-19 Information

We strive to provide a safe, welcoming, caring, Christ-centered environment for our students.

COMMUNICATION WITH FAMILIES:

Open communication with families, students, leaders, and staff regarding the enhancement and seriousness of health and safety measures will be encouraged. Our goal is to keep everyone as safe and healthy as possible.

We will make attempts to publicly display helpful reminders on our campus.

STAFF/VOLUNTEER TRAINING:

We will continue to assess our ministries in collaboration with local and national health directives. We will ensure that our leaders are trained and equipped to serve confidently, with joy and excitement, while still maintaining our high standards of health, safety, and other operational measures.

Training will focus on how to properly clean spaces and equipment, how to minimize and manage physical distancing challenges.

We will take preventive measures, as follows:

- Provide hand sanitizer for children and volunteers
- Conduct cleaning of classrooms, rooms, and high-touch surfaces before and after use
- Limit physical interactions
- At this time, due to do the STL county mandate we will require all children in kindergarten and older to wear masks at all times
- Adult volunteers/leaders will let children know when they are able to temporarily remove masks (example: when outdoors or eating a snack)
- Maximize social distancing of student seating
- Use large open spaces whenever possible
- Limit sharing of supplies between students, clean and disinfect shared supplies after each use
- Students will bring their own water bottle from home (water fountains will not be available for use at this time). But they will be able to refill a water bottle.
- Limit transitions throughout the building by keeping children in their designated classrooms/rooms as much as possible
- Use visual and verbal reminders to practice good hygiene
- All volunteers and children must check for a temperature of 100.00F or above before arriving at any Concordia Ministry Event.

- Volunteers, adults and children should not attend any Ministry Program if they have a fever, dry cough, tiredness, aches and pains, sore throat, diarrhea, headache, loss of taste or smell, rash on skin or have traveled in the past month, or have been exposed to someone with COVID-19.

If a child/student develops any of the above symptoms while in our care:

We will ask you to pick your child/student up immediately. We will not administer medication of any kind. We may ask you to follow up with us and report any possible infectious illnesses so that we can inform other families or staff about possible risk exposure. We will follow our own protocol regarding sanitation and communication of possible infection to involved individuals, if necessary.