

Valley Christian Preschool Frequently Asked Questions Restart Plan

1. Do children have to wear face masks?

Wearing masks is **OPTIONAL** for children.

2. Do VCP Staff have to wear masks?

Yes, VCP Staff are required to wear facemasks.

3. Will I be able to escort my child to their classroom in the morning?

To prevent additional exposure, you will not be able to escort your child into the building. Only essential workers can enter the building.

4. Do the children have to practice social distancing?

Valley Christian Preschool will adhere to the new pandemic rule ratio guidelines.

Children in the 2-year old class have a maximum of 6 students to 1 teacher; children in the 3 through 5-year-old class is 9 students to 1 teacher. This is approximately 50% fewer students in each classroom, allowing for more space.

There will be no school assemblies or special events. Inside the classroom, tables will be spread out to take advantage of available space. Where possible, children will sit in every other seat for activities such as lunch.

All activities have been modified or planned with social distancing in mind.

5. How long does my child have to stay home after a fever?

Children with a fever must stay home for 72 hours fever-free without fever reducing medicine.

6. Will there still be recess?

Yes, the playground will still be available one class at a time. After the playground is used by a class, it will be disinfected by a VCP staff member before the next class uses the playground.

7. What if someone in the class tests positive for COVID-19 AND/OR is exposed to COVID-19?

Confirmed Cases:

- Immediately isolate and seek medical care for any individual who develops symptoms while at the school.
- Shut down rooms for deep sanitation.
- Notify all families and staff.
- Childcare providers will immediately notify the ODJFS within 24 hours in writing of any confirmed cases of COVID-19 among staff or children.
- Valley Christian Preschool will immediately notify and work with the local health department to identify potentially exposed individuals to help facilitate effective contact tracing/notifications.
- If a child or teacher has tested positive for COVID-19, they should not return to school for at least fourteen days since the onset of symptoms and at least three days without a fever, without the help of fever-reducing medicine.
- If a child or teacher has been in contact with someone who is suspected of having COVID-19 or has tested for COVID-19, they should quarantine for 14 days.
- A person would need to be quarantined if they are a direct contact of the index case (COVID-19 Positive). A contact of a contact would not need to be quarantined. For example, if Student A has a parent who is positive, only Student A would need to be quarantined. Student A's classmates and teacher would not need to be quarantined.

Cleaning and Disinfecting the building if there is a COVID-19 Diagnosis

- Close off areas used by the person who is sick.
- Open outside doors and window to increase air circulation in the area.
- Wait 24 hours before you clean or disinfect
- Clean and disinfect all areas used by the person who is sick, such as offices, bathrooms, common areas, toys/manipulatives, shared electronic equipment like phones, touch screens keyboard, etc.
- Once area has been thoroughly deep-cleaned and disinfected, it can be opened.
- Workers without close contact with the person who is sick can return to work immediately after disinfection of the affected areas.

- If more than 7 days since the person who is sick visited or used the facility, additional cleaning and disinfection is not necessary
- Continue routine cleaning and disinfection. This includes everyday practices that businesses and communities normally use to maintain a healthy environment based on CDC guidelines.

8. What are the new drop-off procedures?

Temperatures will be taken and logged for every child at VCP. Parents, grandparents and/or caregivers will escort children to assigned door. Parents, grandparents and caregivers need to wear a mask to the door. This is both good practice for protection and to normalize mask wearing for your child. Your child's teacher will wait for children by the doorway. Teachers will perform a symptom assessment of each student. We are looking for outward signs of an illness (red cheeks, heavy mucus coming from the nose, coughing, etc.) If the child passes the symptom test, the teacher will then take the temperature of each child and record it at drop-off. If a child has a temperature of 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit or higher, the child will be sent home immediately. The child needs to remain home until fever free for 72 without fever-reducing medicine. If the student does not have a fever, he or she will say goodbye to the person who brought them to school and will wait near the door for the other students in their class to arrive.

9. What are the new pick-up procedures?

Parents will need to wear a mask to pick up their child. The child will pack belonging and wash hands. The teacher will escort the child to the door and wait for the parent to park and pick up their child at the assigned door. Parents need to come one at a time to the door.

10. When and how will classrooms and toys be disinfected.

Toys that cannot be cleaned and sanitized will not be used. Toys that children have placed in their mouth or that are otherwise contaminated by body secretions or excretions will be set aside until they are cleaned by hand by a person wearing gloves. Special attention will be placed on items more likely to be placed in a child's mouth, like play food, dishes, and utensils. Toys will not be shared with other groups unless they are washed and sanitized first. Children's books, like other paper-based materials

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such as mail or envelopes are not considered high risk for transmission and do not need additional cleaning or disinfection procedures.

- 11. What will happen if the Governor requires local school districts to go remotely?**
The intent of the Preschool Board is for Valley Christian Preschool to remain open if local school districts go remotely. The preschool board will continuously evaluate COVID numbers, positivity rates, and state mandates to determine if Valley Christian Preschool will remain open.
- 12. Will you offer an online option if the school closes?**
In the spring VCP Teachers had the opportunity to pilot various online venues for preschool age students. If we need to close, we are fully prepared to offer an online option at a reduced cost.
- 13. What happens to my tuition payments if Valley Christian Preschool needs to close?**
If you would like to continue to receive the benefits of daily academic curriculum, we will offer an online option. If you are not interested in an online option, then you will no longer be charged while Valley is not in session.
- 14. Will there be a separate area for students who have COVID symptoms?**
Yes, we opened a conference room which is attached to the preschool office as a separate room for students who may be experience COVID symptoms.
- 15. What will the transition plan be since we will not be able to have in person events?**
As a staff we are planning on remote ways for these events to still happen this year. We will be using phone calls for pre-conferences, a virtual “meet and greet” video of what will happen when students arrive at school and zoom open houses.
- 16. Will children be able to use hand sanitizer?**
Yes, children will be to use hand sanitizer under the direction of the teacher in the classroom. Although the preferred method of cleaning hands will be with soap and water when possible.