

As partners together, let's walk along-side one another to assure the safety of the children and the youth under our care.

Please contact us with any questions or observations concerning the safety of the children and youth served by the ministries of FBCOC.



**NOTE:**

The Safe Church Policy is available in its entirety from the Administrative Assistant in the church



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for the  
Safety of  
Children and  
Youth  
at**

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The First Baptist Church of Oregon City (FBCOC) has a commitment to providing a holy place of safety and protection for all children and youth who participate in ministries and activities sponsored by FBCOC. For that reason, FBCOC seeks to partner with the parents/guardians/grand-parents of all young people involved in our ministry opportunities. The FBCOC has adopted a working document, which strives to strengthen and assure the children, youth, and their parents/guardians/grandparents regarding the safety of our young people.

Here is a brief summary of the major actions being taken to keep our children safe:

1. All persons working with the children and young people of FBCOC pass a background check before working with the children and youth. Screenings are repeated periodically to assure those working with children and youth meet our criteria.
2. Whenever possible, we have at least two adults with all groups of young people. Changing diapers or restroom assistance is by an adult of the same gender as the young person or by their parent or a person designated by the parent.
3. Annual training is required of all staff and volunteers regularly working with young people to teach or to maintain current knowledge of the policies and procedures of FBCOC pertaining to all safety measures.

4. To implement preventative actions aimed at keeping our young people safe, parents/guardians/grandparents are called upon to assist as needed. Children who refuse to be part of the activities organized for them are returned to their parents/guardians/grandparents for their supervision, so they may remain safe and be respectful to the others participating in the activities.

As a church family, we desire to share God's love with all, through the ministries and activities of FBCOC. Providing a safe space for all children and youth is an expression of that love. We believe parents/guardians/grandparents are important participants in working with FBCOC to assure the effectiveness of our efforts on behalf of our children and youth.