

**Parent COVID-19 Policies and Guidelines**  
**First Presbyterian Child Development Center**  
**September 2020**

**COVID-19 Symptoms/Exclusion**

- Any child who is showing signs/symptoms of any kind of illness or may have been exposed to COVID-19 is not allowed in the facility. The symptoms of COVID-19 can include fever/chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, or diarrhea.
- Parents are asked to be on alert for any symptoms of COVID-19 and to keep children home if they are showing signs of ANY illness.
- Children must remain at home for 14 days if they have a fever of 100.4 or higher and are showing any symptoms of COVID-19, or if anyone in the home is showing symptoms or been exposed to anyone that has tested positive for COVID-19.
- Children who have been in close physical contact (6 feet or closer for at least 15 minutes) or who live with someone who has been tested for COVID-19 due to an exposure and is awaiting test results should remain at home until the results are received. Should the individual test positive, the child should remain at home as noted above. If results are negative, the child may return to the CDC.
- If a child has a temperature of 100.4 or higher, they should be excluded from the facility. If no other symptoms are present, the child may return to the center when they have been fever free, without fever reducing medications, for 72 hours.

**Masks and Children:**

- The updated NCDHHS guidance clarifies that school-age children five (5) years or older who are in **kindergarten or above** are **required** to wear face coverings when they are or may be within six (6) feet of another person. NCDHHS recognizes that some five-year-old children attending child care programs are not yet in kindergarten. For these children, it is **recommended** that they wear face coverings if they can reliably wear, remove, and handle them.
- At FPC, for children attending CDC who are five (5) years old, it is **recommended/requested** that they use a face covering during arrival and departure processes each day; they are NOT required to wear face coverings in the classroom.

**Arrival Procedures:**

- Parent/guardian should pull up to the covered drop off and wait in the car.

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- You will be greeted by a designated staff member. Please wear a mask covering your mouth and nose during your interaction with the CDC Staff Member.
- The staff member will go through the health screening, detailed below. Once the screening is complete, the staff member will remove the child from the car along with any book bags/diaper bags. No parent should exit their vehicle.
- If possible, the same parent should drop-off and pick-up their child every day. Try to avoid having anyone 65 or older or at higher risk drop off and/or pick up children.
- Daily health screenings must be done for each child. The staff member doing the screening must maintain a 6-foot distance when asking the following questions:
  - *Have you or any of the children you are dropping off experienced any of the following symptoms with the past 48 hours: fever/chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea?*
  - *Within the past 14 days, have you or any of the children you are dropping off been in close physical contact (6 feet or closer for at least 15 minutes) with a person who is known to have laboratory confirmed COVID-19 (a positive COVID-19 test) or with anyone who has any symptoms consistent with COVID-19?*
  - *Are you, any of the children you are dropping off, or anyone who lives with any of the children you are dropping off currently awaiting the results of a COVID-19 test administered because of a potential exposure?*
  - **AN AFFIRMATIVE RESPONSE TO ANY OF THESE QUESTIONS MEANS THE CHILD/CHILDREN SHOULD GO HOME AND NOT ENTER THE CDC.**
- Each child will be screened by making a visual inspection of the child for signs of infection such as flushed cheeks or fatigue and by choosing to conduct temperature screenings. Health screenings will be repeated periodically throughout the day on children to check for any new developing symptoms.
- Children must maintain a 6-foot distance while waiting to have their temperature taken. The staff person taking the temperature must wear a face covering over the mouth and nose. The facility will use their own touchless thermometers to check the child's temperatures.

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- Results of all screenings for each child will be recorded and filed.
- Each child's hands must be cleaned at the door with hand sanitizer before entering the building.
- Children will be brought inside to their classroom by the staff. At no time may anyone other than the child accompany staff as they enter the CDC facilities. Parents should note that their key fobs are not working until we can return to normal operations.

**Children/Staff Developing Symptoms:**

- If any staff suspects that a child has developed symptoms, they will immediately ask one of the directors to check the child's temperature and for other symptoms and document the results. If any child develops any symptoms of COVID-19, the child must be sent home as soon as possible. A parent or guardian will be called immediately. While waiting to be picked up, the child will be isolated in another room with a caregiver until a parent arrives.

**Departure Procedures:**

- All children will remain in the classroom until a parent arrives. Parents/ Guardians should pull into the front row parking spaces facing the drive thru, call CDC to inform us of your arrival, and wait at the cones by the CDC entrance (on foot, practicing social distancing and staying 6 feet apart at all times).
- All parents will be required to wear a mask. Face coverings must fully cover both the nose and the mouth.
- If there is not a CDC staff member at the door when a parent arrives, the parent should call the CDC at 336-226-7055. We will then bring your child out to you and you will take them to your vehicle.

Parents are urged to review and discuss these changes with their child prior to returning to the center when it reopens. Coming to school and having their teachers wearing masks might be scary if this is not discussed in advance.

Failure to comply fully with these procedures will result in removal of your child from the Child Development Center.

Parent/Guardian's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Director's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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