Forest Hills UMC Day School
COVID-19 Parent Information- 2020-2021

SOCIAL DISTANCING

It will not be possible to prevent children from coming in close contact with one another. Our goal is to limit the number of people in close contact in order to lower the risk of transmission.

Each class will include the same children and teachers every day. Children will not interact with children from other classes.

Parents/guardians and non-essential visitors are not permitted in the building

Child drop-off and pick-up will occur outside of the building. Parents must use their own personal device to log into Brightwheel and check their child(ren) in or out.

Parents/guardians must wear a mask at pick-up and drop-off and stand 6 feet apart. Parents are responsible for helping children get in/out of their vehicle and buckling/unbuckling.

Teachers will have limited in-person contact with parents/ guardians. Brightwheel will be used for communications regarding the child. Parents are also always welcome to arrange a phone call or FaceTime with their child's teacher.

HAND HYGIENE

Proper hand hygiene will be performed by washing hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.

If soap and water are not available and hands are not visibly dirty, an alcohol-based hand sanitizer will be used.

Proper hand hygiene will be practiced upon entry to the Center and throughout the day.

All children will be supervised to ensure proper hand hygiene is being practiced.

Children will be given individual sets of supplies to use in class to limit multiple people touching the same items.

OBJECTIVE

Child care plays a vital role in the lives of families. We provide children with a safe place to learn and play. Keeping children safe during COVID-19 is our utmost priority.

MASKS

Teachers and children age 3 and up will wear masks in the school during times they are close together. Masks will not be worn during recess or when outside.

CLEANING & DISINFECTING

In addition to our regular cleaning routines, frequently touched surfaces (doorknobs, toys, tables, chairs, etc.) will be cleaned throughout the day. We will also be adding additional cleaning for the playground and gym.

Mats will be cleaned and sheets/blankets will be washed daily.

DAILY SCREENING

At morning drop off the parent/ guardian will answer a set of health questions, and the child's temperature will be taken with an infrared thermometer. If the temperature is over the threshold, we will repeat the temperature with an ear thermometer.

Anyone with a temperature over 100.3 degrees will not be permitted to enter the Center.

The temperature check will be repeated at least once during the day.

PREVENTATIVE HEALTH MEASURES

The only items permitted to be brought from home by children are a daily lunch, 1 change of clothing in a labeled plastic ziploc bag (which will be kept at school), a comfort item for nap/rest time, an extra mask in a ziploc bag, and medication required by a physician. All items should be in a backpack the child can carry if possible.

PARENT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I understand that during my child's participation at Forest Hills UMC Day School, my child may be exposed to the COVID-19 virus. These hazards and risks include, but are not limited to, the dangers of serious illness, death and possible transmission to others.

I fully realize, accept, acknowledge and understand the hazards of having my child attend Forest Hills UMC Day School and voluntarily assume all of the risks associated with such attendance.

I understand and agree I will abide by the requirements of Forest Hills UMC Day School and will not enter the building unless absolutely necessary.

I am aware of what is considered to be a high risk factor for the COVID-19 virus. I acknowledge that it is my responsibility to assess my own risk factors and make a decision regarding whether my child can safely attend Forest Hills UMC Day School.

Forest Hills UMC Day School may change any of the practices on this document as the school deems necessary based upon the increase/decrease of the spread of COVID-19 and/or a change in guidance from the CDC or the government.

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Child's Name

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Parent/Guardian Name & Signature

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Director Signature & Date

HEALTH QUESTIONS?

Contact your child's physician

or

Tennessee Department of Health

(615) 741-3111

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

Please make sure your child's Emergency Contact/Parental Consent Information is kept up-to-date in Brightwheel.

ILLNESS

If a child becomes ill with COVID-19 symptoms while at the Center, the child will be immediately isolated from other individuals.

The Center will contact the parent/ guardian to inform them of the child's illness and the child must be picked up within 30 minutes.

The Center will review its COVID-19 Illness Policy with the parent/guardian.

The Center will follow its COVID-19 Health Policy for confirmed cases of COVID-19 by contacting the Tennessee Department of Health for guidance. This may include closing a classroom or the Center.

CONCERNS

Please send a message through Brightwheel or email dayschool@foresthillsumc.org