

# **ST. PATRICK'S PRESCHOOL GUIDELINES – Following NYS 6/26/2020 Daycare Guidelines**

## **PHYSICAL DISTANCING**

1. If still recommended, we will utilize staggered start and end times as follows:
  - a. 4/5 Red Team – 9:00a – 11:30a
  - b. 3 Green Team – 9:10a – 11:40a
  - c. 3 Yellow Team – 9:20a – 11:50a
  - d. 4/5 Blue Team – 9:30a – 12:00p
2. Students will be in classes of 15 students or less
3. Classes will not interact with each other unless absolutely necessary and interaction is minimal
4. Students will maintain social distancing with each other in small spaces as feasible, ie: bathrooms
5. Non-essential visitors are prohibited from visiting classrooms during Covid-19 or other pandemics
6. Designated drop-off and pick-up areas will be in the Hallway outside the Preschool Wing. All entry to PreK will be through the Parish Center doors. All exits from PreK will be through these same doors.

## **PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT**

1. Employees will wear face coverings at all times
2. Students are now required to wear face coverings as of September 17, 2021.
3. We will limit the sharing of objects & shared space. We will practice hand hygiene before & after use of shared objects by utilizing hand sanitizer or hand soap.

## **PROGRAM ACTIVITIES**

1. Classes will remain separated whenever possible
2. We will increase focus on activities with little or no physical contact between students or staff
3. Cleaning and disinfection protocols will be followed. This includes room disinfection at the end of each class day, wiping of tables and supplies during the day, and frequent hand hygiene.
4. Snacks will be served in individual servings (rather than buffet)
5. Students will be separated as much as possible during snack
6. Windows will be opened whenever possible
7. Use of St. Patrick's Church property for outdoor play and learning will be used whenever possible
8. Excursions away from site are discouraged. However, compliance with NYS mandates may allow us to participate in our scheduled field trips. All participants, including students must wear face masks on any excursion.

## **HYGIENE, CLEANING, & DISINFECTION**

1. Hand sanitizer and disinfectant wipes/sprays will be available throughout all common areas including classrooms
2. All staff & students are required to hand sanitize
  - a. Upon entering the building
  - b. Between program activities
  - c. After using the restroom
  - d. Before eating
  - e. Upon dismissal
3. Toys & equipment will be cleaned regularly
4. Toys that cannot be cleaned (soft toys, dress up clothes, etc) will be limited or eliminated.
5. Students must have an extra set of clean clothes, daily. Soiled clothes will be placed in plastic bags

## **SCREENING**

1. All staff & students are to stay home if they are ill or have been exposed to Covid-19.
2. Mandatory health screening assessment will be completed upon entry of building
  - a. Body temperature assessed using touchless thermometer (must be <100.4F)
3. Any student who displays symptoms will be isolated until parent or guardian arrives
4. We will notify the state & local health department about any positive test results by employee or student

