

First United Methodist Learning Center Preschool

COVID-19 Precautionary Protocols

2020-2021 School Year – VPK

The following guidelines were adapted and approved by the Task Force for Re-opening of the First United Methodist Church of Winter Garden (FUMCWG). Together with the Learning Center Preschool (TLC), we are committed to ensuring the safety of all teachers, children, parents, staff, and church members through the following protocols. Guidance and recommendations are based on the information given by The Florida Methodist Conference and The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Appropriate changes could become necessary as we move through the year and updates will be published in advance.

Plan	Protocol
Daily	Handwashing every hour, use of sanitizer in-between handwashing. Frequent cleaning of touched surfaces and in-between group uses.
Arrival	Car line drop off for VPK students, begins at 8:50 am. Please have your child ready to exit the car from the rear passenger side. Students will be walked to temperature check station before entering Fellowship Hall. Teachers will sign in students. Please verify with your child's teacher they are healthy, with no sign of fever or sickness. A face mask is necessary when they exit the car.
Dismissal 3 day VPK	Students will be dismissed on the playground at a designated gate for each class at 2:00 pm. Masks will be worn at dismissal.
5 day VPK	Students will be dismissed at the gate on the playground near the buses (Lakeview Ave Parking Lot) at 12:10 pm and 1:00 pm for those who remain for lunch. Masks will be worn at dismissal.
Personal Belongings	Please label all belongings with child's name. Water bottles are to include first and last name. Until further notice, belongings will be limited to lunch boxes, facial masks and water bottles. Backpacks will be addressed at

	a later time. All personal belongings must be disinfected daily before returning to school.
Playground Time	Each class will have their own scheduled playground time. Masks will not be used while on the playground, unless recommendations change at a later time.
Classrooms	Face masks will be worn during class time when social distancing will be difficult to maintain. Center and Circle time will have limited (1/2 of class) participants. Art and Music will be in the classroom.
Kinder-gym	Kinder-gym will take place in the Fellowship Hall and the use of masks will be determined at a later time.
Face Coverings	CDC recommends cloth face coverings as the most effective measure. Neck gaiters and vented face coverings are ineffective. Face shields are also ineffective unless used in addition to a cloth face mask. TLC prefers the use of cloth face masks only.
Lunch Time	Each class will have lunch in the classroom. As schedules and weather permits, each class will have the opportunity for lunch time (picnic) on the playground.
Early Drop/After Care	After Care is suspended until after Labor Day and Early Drop is cancelled until further notice.
Breaks	Bathroom and handwashing will take place throughout the day. Mask breaks will be given during the day in addition to lunch/snack and playground time.
Attendance	Attendance is an important part of the VPK program, however, <u>please do not send your child to school with any suspicion of sickness or fever.</u> Vacations are important family time, however, extended time away from the program could jeopardize continued participation in the program. Please plan accordingly, especially with the added precautions necessary during this pandemic.
Visitors	Parent visits to the classroom and outside visitors are suspended. Classroom visits by appointment only and if it becomes necessary for a parent to enter the campus, a mask must be worn.