



Christ Lutheran Preschool Protocols for COVID-19*

2021-2022

*Subject to change

There have been so many changes with the recommendations that it may be hard to keep up.

Will we be open? Will we be closed? Will it be safe?

We pledge our commitment to you to remain open. We know we are needed, and we want to be here to serve our families. Will that mean we can provide a risk-free environment? No. But we know a lot more than when we started this journey, and we have put many safety protocols in place to do our best to keep everyone safe.

Will that mean that we won't ever need to close? No. We may have positive cases in our preschool community that may require one classroom or the entire preschool campus to shut down for a 14-day period. However, once that quarantine time is done, we will reopen and be ready. Guidance regarding the need to close will come from the Orange County Department of Health.

Here are some other protocols we have put into place in response to COVID-19.

- Parents or guardians are asked to use hand sanitizer before and after signing in their child(ren).
- Parents are not permitted to enter the classrooms.
- Visitors on our campus will not be allowed at this time.
- When picking up your child several options will be available for you. With each option, you are still required to sign out your child(ren).
 - Go to the school office window and let them know you are there to pick up your child(ren) and they will contact the Preschool or allow you to enter through the main gate. Come into the preschool to sign your child out-there is a cart located outside with iPads to sign out.
 - Once the school office is closed for the day (3:30pm), a Ring® camera will be used to identify parents and guardians. A staff member will then let you in through the gate.

- After hours, you may call the school office (714) 529-0892, and when you hear the voice mail, listen all the way through for the Preschool option. This will connect you to the Preschool directly.
- If you are consistent with your pick-up time, we can have your child all packed up and ready to go for you and will be watching for you!
- Children are expected to stay home when not feeling well.
- Staff will stay home when not feeling well.
- Teachers will review age-appropriate hygiene guidelines with students.
- Students will wash their hands before entering their classroom, before and after eating, after using the bathroom, after outdoor time, and any time the student coughs or sneezes.
- Each child will have their own cubby to keep their belongings in. Please limit what your child brings to school.
- Snacks and lunches will be brought from home. Lunches may also be ordered from Cater Tots beginning on August 24th.
- We will still be welcoming our friends from Webby Dance Co. back on to our campus in September. These companies provide extra-curricular activities for the preschoolers if the parents wish to enroll them in the programs. The children will have the opportunity to “sample” their classes before they begin. Their teachers will be health-screened each time they arrive on campus.
- Our drinking fountains will be closed at this time. All children need to bring a labeled water bottle from home.

We thank everyone for their cooperation in our protocols! We are closely following the information given to us by the Orange County Department of Health as well as our Licensing Agency, CA Department of Social Services, Community Care Division. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to ask!

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