

Important Safety Info!

Dear Vineyard Kids Parents,

I want you all to know that here in Vineyard Kids we value the safety of your children while they are in our team members' care. This letter will hopefully help give you confidence in entrusting your precious children with us! The purpose of this letter is to inform you of exactly what our safety protocols are on Sunday mornings.

First, all of our children's classrooms are on video surveillance throughout the morning. There is a security iPad with our Oversight team member and that team member is monitoring the classrooms by watching the videos as well as completing walk-throughs of the spaces, making sure everything is running smoothly and that the leaders and kids have everything they need.

Second, all doors connected to each ministry area (one door to Nursery/Preschool/Kindergarten area as well as one door Elementary area) are closed and locked a few minutes into the start of each service. (All other doors, ie. fire exit doors are ALWAYS locked.) The check-in team members, Oversight team members, and church staff are the only people with keys to access these places. We have this safety measure in place to prevent any unauthorized people from entering the children's spaces. If the Oversight team member, or Check-In team members, ever feel there is a threat present to the children, they will keep these doors on lockdown as well as the interior hallway doors (located in the preschool area). In this situation, it is important that you know that you would not have access to your children until the threat is gone.

Third, all team members go through a background check process.

Fourth, bathroom privacy is of high priority! Infants' parents/guardians are paged if a diaper change is needed. Preschool team members escort children to the bathroom, but the children use the bathroom by themselves. If they are not able to use the facilities alone, a parent/guardian is paged to help. In Elementary, leaders escort kids to and from the entrance to the bathroom.

Finally, we have a name tag/security tag system in place. This means that the number code printed on each child's name tag must match a security tag printed for parents/guardians that they present at check-out each service.

We hope that these safety measures give you comfort in knowing that we take your child's safety very seriously here at LAVC and we want to do our very best in taking care of these precious lives entrusted to us.

If you have any questions or concerns about any of this, please feel free to contact me!

LOVE,

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