



ADVENTURELAND!

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Parent Updates

First of all, thank you Parents for your patience and understanding as we've been implementing our new check-in system. This system will help us to ensure a safe and secure environment for your children and keep accurate attendance and visitor records. Along with the computer implementation there are a few new policies that are also being implemented in Adventureland. We want all parents to be aware of these changes and suggestions:

1. Security Name badges - all children in Adventureland classes will need to be checked into the computer system. They will have a name badge printed which will have a security ID and a pager number. A badge will also print for parents which includes all of their children's security IDs. This is to ensure parents can be notified during worship services if necessary and that all children are released to their parent or guardian after services. Please arrive a few minutes early so as to eliminate lines after worship services have already begun.
2. Check-in ALL children - because we are creating a safer & more secure environment, **ALL** children including those in the Cove (1st-5th grade) must be checked in by a parent. This ensures the parent receives their security badge. This way if we needed a parent during the worship service for an emergency we could notify them by displaying their pager number on the screens in the auditorium.
3. Emergency Notifications - if you are needed during a worship service your pager number (last 4 digits of phone number or whole phone number) is displayed on the screens during the service. If you have a 2 year old - 5th grade, please come to the information center in the lobby of the children's building. Your child will be waiting for you there. If you have an infant, please go to your child's classroom on the infant hallway.
4. Checking Children out - When you pick up your children from their classrooms, the volunteer teachers in the rooms will request your security badge. They will also remove the name badge from your child and literally stick it to the security badge. This way they can guarantee the security IDs match. We want to keep all children as safe as possible. If you have multiple children and parents typically pick up children in different locations at the same time, please ask a volunteer to help you print an extra parent badge when you check in your child for morning services.
5. Preschool Children's classroom promotion - beginning with our 3 year old class we will now be promoting all children on September 1 of each year. We will no longer promote children to the next age classroom on their birthdays. This is an effort to help children know the peers they are attending church with and to follow the same standards of high quality preschools. Sept 1. will be the age cut-off for determining the class your child will attend. If your child is an infant, they will move to new classes on a developmental basis until their 2 year old birthday. When they are 3 on or before Sept. 1, they will promote to the three year old class and promote to the next age level class each Sept. 1. Please speak with the preschool director if you have any questions.

Once again - thank you parents for your support as we strive to create the best environment possible for your child to draw near to God and learn more about His love.