

Stallings UMC Preschool COVID-19 Waiver 2022-2023 Revised 01/28/2022

Our preschool is a ministry of the Stallings UMC. Families and their children are valued in our faith community. The faith statement of the UMC includes the following : “ do no harm” (to, or with others). Therefore, the following is given as a “step-in responsibility” for the preschool and church to you, our preschool family. And a promise for respect between all preschool families.

Stallings UMC Preschool staff is taking every precaution available to keep children, families, and staff safe and healthy to ensure the health and safety of your child while in our care. These measures include health screenings, handwashing, modified scheduling, modified drop-off, and pick up procedure and extensive disinfecting of common areas and frequently touched surfaces. There may be other measures added as the situation warrants. Or with improvement in the pandemic dynamics (covid percentages) , the previously listed measures may be modified. Parents will be updated at such times.

Your child will not be able to attend the preschool of Stallings UMC if showing any signs or symptoms of COVID-19 (see below).

Your child will be sent home if he/she presents any of the symptoms listed below while at school. Your child will not be readmitted to school until he/she is symptom free **without medication for 72 hours.**

As per our normal illness policies, families are expected to continue regular tuition payments. Our teachers are to be paid under contract for the 9 month school year.

If your child has been diagnosed with COVID-19 or has been exposed to someone with COVID-19, he/she should be quarantined at home for 10 days or 5 days at home and 5 days at preschool wearing a mask (except when eating, drinking and at outdoors.) *

* Updated to no quarantine unless showing symptoms (02/18/2022)

Symptoms of Covid-19 include:

- *Fever (100.4 or higher)*
- *Sore Throat*
- *Runny nose*
- *Cough*
- *Shortness of breath*
- *Loss of taste or smell*

Additional symptoms include cold-like symptoms, such as:

- *Congestion*
- *Headache*
- *Fatigue*
- *Body aches*
- *Chills*

Working in partnership with families to achieve a safe school environment, the Stallings UMC Preschool staff will work extremely hard to keep all children, families, and staff healthy and safe.

We ask with this document for you to please do the same by following best practices and adhering to the recommended guidelines.

We also rely on you to **report** to the preschool director as soon as possible any covid or variant related illnesses of any family member or a recent contact with a person testing positive.

If your child develops fever and other symptoms of illness during the school day you will be notified and *asked to pick up your child immediately*. An ill child will be stay in our health space in the company of an adult. And that adult needs to return to the regular classroom as soon as possible. Thank You.

In the case of a covid related illness in a classroom, the health department will be contacted, and we will be given directions for the beginning and ending dates for a quarantine of that class. Parents will then be notified of this situation and given the guidelines to follow.

***I agree to adhere to all rules and guidelines set forth by Stallings UMC Preschool . Our family understands that failure to adhere to these rules and guidelines is ground for dismissal from preschool without a refund of tuition/fees.**

With the parental signature of this agreement, your child is officially enrolled and may attend for the 2022-2023 school year.

Thank you for your cooperation as to this agreement.

Barbara Stegall

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the Rev. Dr. Scott Ireland

Preschool Director

Preschool Committee Chair

Stallings UMC Pastor

Child's Full Name _____

Parent (1) Signature _____

Parent (1)) Name Printed _____ Date _____

Parent (2) Signature _____

Parent (2) Name Printed _____ Date _____

Appreciation and Acknowledgement of Source:

Myers Park United Methodist Church "Circle of Children" Preschool 2020-2021