

MOBBERLY BAPTIST CHURCH CHILDREN'S MINISTRY ILLNESS, HYGIENE, AND DISENFECTING PROCEDURES

SICK POLICY

For the protection of your child and other children, any child who is ill or appears ill, cannot be accepted for care. Our guidelines are based on the recommendations taken from the report of the Committee on Control of Infectious Diseases of the American Academy of Pediatrics. Children and adults should not enter a classroom when any of the following exists:

- Fever* (should be free of fever for 24 hours)
- Vomiting and/or diarrhea (should be symptom free for 24 hours)
- Any symptom of the usual childhood diseases: scarlet fever, German measles, mumps, chicken pox, and whooping cough, hand foot and mouth disease
- Common cold (onset through one week)
- Sore throat
- Croup
- Any unexplained rash
- Any untreated skin infections: boils, ringworm, impetigo, head lice, etc.
- Pink eye and other eye infections

When in doubt, keep your child at home.

Children and adults can enter a classroom after they have been fever and symptom free for 24 hours.

Children who appear ill, when in the care of Mobberly Baptist Church, will be isolated and the parents notified.

In order to eliminate any medication errors. We ask that you medicate your children at home. Leaders and staff cannot administer medications of any kind.

If your child does contact a childhood disease following a session in the care of Mobberly Baptist Church, please inform the Children's Ministry Office so that other parents may be informed and may take preventative measures.

Children's Ministry leaders and staff are instructed in the universal precautions and procedures for general hygiene and are expected to follow them.

GENERAL HYGIENE

Purpose of general hygiene is to provide mutual protection of children and leaders. Children's Ministry leaders will follow these procedures.

1. Hands will be washed upon entering classroom.
2. Children's noses will be wiped regularly as needed. Leaders will wash hands after attending child.
3. All wounds will be covered with a band aid.
4. Disposable gloves must be used at all times when tending to a child's bodily fluids (vomit, saliva, mucus, urine, stool, blood, or other bodily fluids)
5. Soiled clothes will be placed in a plastic bag and returned to the parent.
6. Leaders in classrooms of children, babies – one year olds, will wear smocks, take off shoes and wear socks, for the protection of children and leaders.

DISINFECTING OF TOYS AND SURFACES

All surfaces are cleaned with hospital grade disinfecting solution at the end of every session. (crib, swing, mattress, infant seat, toys, tables, all hard surfaces)

Baby toys that go into the mouth will be disinfected by spraying the pink disinfecting solution on the toy and letting it set for 10 minutes, before being given to another child. After 10 minutes, run the toy under tap water for about a minute to make sure all solution is washed away. Air dry or wipe with a paper towel if the toy is needed for another child.

All battery toys must be wiped with a Clorox wipe and allowed to air dry.

All other toys are to be sprayed with the pink disinfecting solution on all sides of the toy and allowed to air dry. (At least 10 minutes in the pink disinfecting solution is necessary for all germs to be killed.)

DIAPER CHANGING POLICY

Children will be checked regularly to see if their diaper is wet or soiled. Older children will be asked if they need to use the restroom.

All diapers are changed at the designated diaper changing station in each room.

A clean piece of wax paper will be laid under each child.

A clean set of disposable gloves will be used for each child.

Diaper changing station will be disinfected after each use.

Soiled diapers are placed in a plastic bag before placing them in a covered trash container.

Care givers will wash their hands with soap and running water before and after changing a diaper or assisting a child with toilet use.

Children will wash their hands after using the toilet.