

Bella Vista Church of Christ
Guidelines for Restarting Bible School
August 8, 2020

The eldership, ministers and teachers met on August 6 to discuss the possibility of restarting Bible school for our children. After much discussion and review of recommended protocols by the CDC, it was decided that Bible school would restart on September 13. The following protocols will be required.

CLASSES OFFERED

Classes will be offered for the following ages:

PK-Grade 3
Grades 4-6
Grades 7-12

Classes will not be offered at this time for Cradle Roll students or students age 2-3.

ROOM ASSIGNMENTS

Large classroom space will be used to allow for social distancing of at least six feet (10 feet when singing).

PK - Grade 3 Fellowship Hall
Grades 4-6 Annex
Grades 7-12 Annex

FACE COVERINGS FOR STUDENTS

All PK – Grade 12 students be required to wear a face covering that covers the nose and mouth when social distancing measures, as determined by the teacher are not possible.

Face coverings will not be required for those who have trouble breathing, anyone who is unconscious, incapacitated, or otherwise unable to remove the cloth face covering without assistance.

The following recommendations are made regarding face coverings for students:

1. Students should wear face coverings that fit snugly but comfortably against the face.
2. Face coverings should completely cover the nose and mouth.
3. Face coverings should be secured with ties or ear loops and include multiple layers of fabric.
4. Face coverings should allow for breathing without restrictions.
5. Face coverings should be labeled with the child's name.

6. Parents are encouraged to practice with their child putting on and taking off the face covering without touching the cloth.
7. Parents are encouraged to explain to their child the importance of wearing a face covering, model wearing a face covering and praise their child for wearing the covering correctly.
8. Parents can make their child feel more comfortable wearing a face covering by letting them put a face covering on a favorite stuffed animal, by drawing a face covering on a favorite book character or by showing images of other children wearing a face covering.

Parents will be required to supply the face covering for their child.

FACE COVERINGS FOR TEACHERS

All teachers will be required to wear a face covering during Bible school. The covering must cover the nose and mouth, fit snugly against the side of the face with no gaps when social distancing measures, as determined by the teacher are not possible.

After use, the front of the face covering is considered contaminated and should not be touched during removal or replacement. Hand hygiene should be performed immediately after removing and after replacing the face covering.

HEALTH SCREENING PROTOCOL

Parents will be expected to screen their children using the current screening guidelines from the Arkansas Department of Health prior to entering the building which include the following:

1. Temperature of 100.4 or higher
2. Sore throat, uncontrolled cough, diarrhea, vomiting, abdominal pain or severe headache.
3. Had close contact with a person with confirmed Covid19.
4. Traveled to an area reporting large cases of Covid19.

Teachers will be required to complete the same screening.

CLEANING PROTOCOL

Our cleaning staff will follow the standard daily, weekly and monthly cleaning specifications.

If classrooms are used within three days of class, frequent touch areas will be wiped down with virucidal disinfectant.

Every classroom will be equipped with cleaning gloves, hand sanitizer, a spray bottle of virucidal disinfectant and a cleaning cloth or paper towels for use by the teacher.

Restrooms will be disinfected before Bible school.

PROTOCOL IN CASE IN THE EVENT OF A POSITIVE COVID19 CASE

The following measures will be taken in the event of a positive COVID-19 case:

1. Current CDC “guidelines for cleaning and disinfecting when someone is sick” will be applied.
2. ADH will be contacted with details about the level of exposure at the site and a request for guidance will be made.
3. If ADH guidance allows, the CDC recommended wait period before cleaning will be waived and cleaning and disinfection will begin immediately.
4. Bible school closure will not be necessary for the purpose of allowing time for cleaning.
5. ADH will determine if Bible school closure is required for other purposes.

WATER FOUNTAINS

Providing safe access to clean water for hydration is essential to maximizing readiness for learning.

1. Standard push bar/push button water fountains will be turned off and covered.
2. Students may bring water bottles from home if needed.

PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT

The playground equipment will not be used at this time.

BUILDING AND CLASSROOM SPECIFIC OPERATIONS

1. Classroom furniture will be arranged to maximize distance between student seating.
3. Whenever possible, travel in hallways will be one-way with social distancing applied.
4. Classroom dismissal will be staggered beginning with the younger students.
5. Special care will be taken for restroom breaks limited to one student at a time.
6. Younger students will be taken to their parents at dismissal.
7. Students will not share supplies in the classroom (crayons, puzzles, Bibles, etc.). It is recommended that individual supply tubs be provided for the younger students.
8. Parents of students in Pre-K through Third Grade are welcome to attend class with their child if they wish.

ENTRANCES AND CLASSROOM DOORS

All entrances and classroom doors will be opened to minimize the spread of germs on door handles.