

GroveYouth Covid-19 Meeting Guidelines

PROGRAM STRUCTURE:

Starting on September 22nd (for Sr. High) & 25th (for Jr. High), we will host an in-person worship service gathering in the sanctuary that will include contactless games, teaching, and musical worship. This gathering will run at a reduced time from our regular GroveYouth gatherings (1.5 hours) from 8:00-9:30p.m. Because we know that some will not feel comfortable to gather in this way, we are currently working on making an interactive live-streamed option available to view from home during the designated program time.

Small Groups fulfill GroveYouth's value of intentional relationship building. They are integral to our program. We are still evaluating how to do small groups safely during this time. Plans for that part of our programming will come in the following weeks.

PROTOCOLS AND PROCEDURES:

Based on the Government's guidelines and Forest Grove Community Church's internal practice guidelines, we will include the following protocols and procedures for our worship service gatherings:

- A Covid agreement read and signed by all parents that states that you understand our protocols and procedures and will adhere to them, especially the allowance of students to sit in extended households and ensuring that they do not attend our programs if they are exhibiting sickness symptoms of any kind.
- Mandatory mask-wearing for entering and exiting the building, singing, and any other time we can't guarantee the required physical distancing.
- The distribution of masks to any volunteers or students who do not have one.
- The use of hand sanitizer when entering the building as well as any other necessary time.
- Registration for each event via the Church Centre App or Website (more details coming soon).
- We will observe physical distancing of 6ft as much as possible.
- Seating with up to 3 people in your extended household or "bubble" (those who your parents have allowed you to interact with without physical distancing). Individuals or extended household groups will be seated 6 feet apart from one another.
- Assigned seating for those registered (once you are seated, that is your seat for the entire program).
- Open and accessible bathrooms.
- Students and Leaders will only be able to leave the sanctuary for bathroom usage or exiting (no wandering).
- No food or drink services of any kind until further notice.
- Sanitization for high-contact touch points (such as doors and bathrooms) during the program time.

