

Sanctuary Church

Safe Sanctuary Policies For Child Supervision

A minimum of two adults must be present at all times. One adult must be 21 or older. The other adult may be 18 or older.

Adult supervision is constant.

All adults who wish to work with children and youth will agree to a CORI check.

In working with youth (middle school and high school), at least one adult must have attained the age of 21, AND must be at least 4 years older than the oldest youth in the group.

Ratio guideline for adults:youth are as follows (keeping in mind the two adult rule as the default):

0-5 years 1:5

5-10 years 1:6

10-14 years 1:8

14-18 years 1:10

A teenager who has attained the age of 13 may act as a monitor of the kid's room during worship or other events where other adults are present in the building.

No unrelated adult may be alone with a youth or child at any time.

No unrelated teenager may be alone with a younger child at any time.

Proper age-appropriate restraints are to be used in all vehicles transporting children and youth.

Males and females must sleep in separate quarters. Where this is not possible, reasonable separation of space is required and appropriate adult supervision is constant.

All adults transporting children and youth will agree to a driving background check. They may be asked to have their license and insurance information on file with the church.

No drivers under the age of 25 are to transport unrelated children and youth on behalf of the church.

No child or youth shall participate in an activity without parental permission. When the parent delivers the child to a Sanctuary-sponsored event, permission is assumed. When the activity takes place off church grounds, such consent must be in writing and must grant emergency medical care permission to the adult(s) in charge of the event. The adult(s) are to be given contact information for emergencies.

Occasionally photographs or other recordings of youth or children are used for web or print publications. Participation in Sanctuary-sponsored events assumes permission for such use. Parents may revoke that permission at any time by informing Sanctuary staff in writing.