



# COVID-19 POLICY

Thrive Kids Club strives to create a safe environment for its staff and the children attending the program. Starting in September 2020 Thrive Kids Club is implementing additional, temporary health and safety protocols to minimize the possibility of an infection with the Coronavirus. These new procedures are based on the COVID-19 Public Health Guidance for Child Care Settings by the BC Ministry of Health.

## Groups

Children are organized in three half groups of 12-15 children each. Each group has its own homeroom. Children from different groups have their own programs and are not mixed with children from the two other groups.

## Health Requirements

Staff and children that have any of the Covid-19 symptoms are not allowed to join the program and have to stay home for a period of 14 days after the onset of symptoms. Parents are responsible to inform the program supervisor in case their child has any of these symptoms:

- Coughing
- Fever (> 37.5 °C)
- Stuffy or runny nose
- Shortness of breath / difficulty breathing
- Feeling unwell / fatigue
- Diarrhea
- Sneezing
- Sore throat
- Chills
- Headache
- Aches and pains
- Nausea / vomiting

## Potential Exposure Limitations

Staff and children who have been outside of Canada or were in contact with a person with Coronavirus are not allowed to join Thrive Kids Club and have to quarantine for 14 days.

## Physical Distance

Thrive Kids Club will encourage the children to minimized direct contact with one another and to aim at maintaining two meters distance from each other when possible.

## Hand washing

Staff and children will regularly and thoroughly wash their hands. Children will wash their hands when first signing in, before eating snacks and after visiting the bathroom.

## Snacks

Following both VCS and Vancouver Coastal Health guidelines Thrive Kids Club will not serve any snacks.

## Masks

Staff will wear a mask or face shield during all indoor activities. Children are free to choose to wear masks.

## Sanitizing

Thrive Kids Club will increase the cleaning and sanitation of its equipment and materials.

## Sign-in

Daily check at sign-in will be conducted by asking children if they do not have symptoms of common cold, influenza, COVID-19, or other respiratory disease. Staff will measure the body temperature of each child with a non-touch thermometer.

## Pick-up

Parents have to pick-up children outside the building, at the door of the respective homeroom whenever possible. Parents and caregivers have to use their own pen and avoid touching the sign-in/out sheet directly.