



# First Baptist Church

Rockport, MA

## **Rockport Baptist Church – COVID-19 Response Plan for Children’s Church and Youth Group**

Effective the week of September 14, 2020 the church will resume its programming for Children and Youth as permitted in Phase III of the COVID-19 re-opening plan for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.<sup>1</sup> This document will provide specific guidance to these programs. All standards laid out within the original church re-opening plan submitted to the Town of Rockport on June 08, 2020 will also apply to Children’s Church and Youth Group.<sup>2</sup>

For the time being all programming will occur outside in the church parking lot or yard. An additional plan will be submitted before any classes occur inside. Based on the programs outdoor nature and in light of direction from the Rockport Health Inspector the church will apply guidance for outdoor education programs.<sup>3</sup>

In addition to standards described in footnote 2, the following practices will occur:

- A) All persons participating in Children’s Church or Youth Group must wear a mask covering their mouth and nose while on the Church Property.
- B) Social distance of 6 feet will be observed between persons from different family units.
- C) Educational groups may not exceed 12 people (students and teachers).
- D) Entering the building will only be allowed for the purposes of using the restroom and or washing hands. This will only occur in groups of 2.
- E) Each day the student or their parents will complete a health survey.
- F) Frequent washing of hands will be encouraged.
- G) There will be enhanced cleaning of frequently touched surfaces.

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.mass.gov/doc/sector-specific-workplace-safety-standards-phase-iii-step-1-for-places-of-worship-to-address/download>

<sup>2</sup> [https://firstbaptistrockport.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/Covid-19-Control-Plan-Rockport-Baptist-Church-.pdf?fbclid=IwAR0X5\\_3R3mMXlhCVMzBS9JUuINUujR8NUE5wGzIlg4trJ-izSWx3Cy1RLxYA](https://firstbaptistrockport.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/Covid-19-Control-Plan-Rockport-Baptist-Church-.pdf?fbclid=IwAR0X5_3R3mMXlhCVMzBS9JUuINUujR8NUE5wGzIlg4trJ-izSWx3Cy1RLxYA)

<sup>3</sup> <https://www.mass.gov/doc/safety-standards-for-parks-open-space-and-outdoor-education-programs-phase-iii-step-1-0/download>

