

KIDVENTURE FAQ

*IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS OR NEED MORE INFORMATION ON THESE GROUPS, PLEASE CONTACT KIDVENTURE@PRAIRIELAKESCHURCH.ORG.

1. WHAT KIND OF SECURITY IS IN PLACE FOR MY CHILD?

Parents are required to check in their child at any of our children's check-in desks and then escort their children to Kidventure. Children will be given a printed name tag, while parents will be given a corresponding numbered security tag. Should a problem arise during the service, parents will be notified using this number. After the service, parents must present their portion of the security tag to pick up their child.

2. WHAT KIND OF SECURITY CHECK IS USED FOR VOLUNTEERS?

For the safety of all children, Prairie Lakes Church requires all children's volunteer workers and paid staff to have a background check before serving in our children's department.

3. HOW DO I KNOW WHAT CLASSROOM IS BEST FOR MY CHILD?

Children in Kidventure are grouped by grade level. There are three areas: K-1 for kindergarten and first graders, 2-3 for second and third graders, and 4-5 for fourth and fifth graders. You will drop your child off at the classroom that corresponds with their current grade level.

4. WHAT WILL MY CHILD DO DURING THE SERVICE?

Kids are challenged every weekend in Kidventure to trust God, make wise choices and build lasting relationships. A typical hour in Kidventure looks like this:

- **Welcome**
Each child is greeted by their small group leader and the weekend coordinator. Kids participate with their small group in an activity meant to introduce the one Truth, or bottom line, we want kids to walk away with that weekend.
- **Large Group**
Shortly after arriving, kids move to their large group environment where they hear the Bible story. We use costumes, props and characters from the story - anything that makes the Bible come to life. We also carve out time each week for kids to sing as loud as they want and tell God how much they love Him.
- **Small Group**
Kids then travel back to their small group environment where their leaders help them understand how the day's bottom line can fit their everyday lives.
- **Curriculum**
We use 252 Basics, a web-based curriculum for K-5th graders. Based on Luke 2:52, the curriculum is built around our Three Basic Truths:
 1. WISDOM. I need to make the wise choice.
 2. FAITH. I can trust God no matter what.
 3. FRIENDSHIP. I should treat others the way I want to be treated.

The Three Basic Truths are amplified through monthly virtues and Bible stories. Every week there is a key Truth or bottom line that we drive home. It's the one thing we want kids to understand and grab onto during their hour in Kidventure.

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4. WHY DOES KIDVENTURE CLOSE 15 MINUTES AFTER THE SERVICE BEGINS?

To allow children to participate in all aspects of their classroom's programming and eliminate disruptions in both the classrooms and Worship Center, all Children's Ministry classes will close 15 minutes after each service begins. Parents and children may view the worship service via live feed on our television in Room 137 off the Café.

5. AT TIMES, THERE ARE AREAS CLOSED IN KIDVENTURE. WHY DOES THIS HAPPEN?

Our Children's Ministry is experiencing rapid growth! While we strive to staff our rooms with enough volunteers to handle peak volumes of children, we are now feeling the pinch of more children than volunteers!

Your children's safety is of utmost importance to us and we will begin enforcing the following procedural ratios in our children's wings effective October 10 & 11, 2009, closing rooms when the following safety ratios are met:

Kidventure: 1 adult: 10 children

Parents: Please consider volunteering in your child's room once or twice for one service each month. Tell the area coordinator in your children's room/wing that you'd like to volunteer and pick up a volunteer application at the Connection Desk.