



## Children's Wing Security Protocol

The Purpose of Security in our Children's Wing is to ensure ongoing security procedures for Bridge Christian Church Children's wing. This is to prevent or minimize a potential security event, protecting our congregation's children, allowing parents to feel they can worship knowing their children are in a safe environment and reduce or eliminate any potential liability toward Bridge Christian Church. To ensure this is done correctly, our Bridge Kids team will have a 3-step approach:

- Awareness
- Prevention
- Reaction

1. **Awareness.** This is the ongoing responsibility of intentional thought and action to provide the safest environment possible for our children.

2. **Prevention.** These are the regular routine procedures, always followed, that are done to dramatically reduce or eliminate a security risk.

- Ensure ALL children are tagged when dropped off--Children's Check-in desk will help with this, if needed
- All our Bridge Kids NEED to have a parent escorting their children back to their classroom for the appropriate Sunday School hour.
- Teachers WILL NOT allow kids to leave the classroom without their parent or guardian. Parents are to present a parent tag to the teacher so they can BE SURE YOU are the one picking up that child.
- When the sanctuary doors shut for service, the Children's Wing double doors will close and ALL classroom doors with children inside are to be shut AND locked. Every classroom has a radio that communicates with the BK Check-in Attendant and every classroom teacher can communicate with one another, need be. Security team will roam through to make sure everyone is complying.
- Your child will be escorted to the restroom and back, either by a teacher, an assistant or the Check-in attendant. No child will be left alone in the Children's Ministry hallway.
- If there is any type of incident, Check-in (and Security) will be notified.
- If you have a copy of a legal document (restraining order, custody order, etc.,) please leave it with the Children's Minister or the Children's Check-in attendant and necessary people will be notified.

3. **Reaction:** There are action steps in place should there be an active shooter in the building, a medical emergency or a fire. Please see the Children's Minister for this specific content.

