

Classroom Set-Up

Two Adult Classrooms

It is the policy of Foothills Unitarian Church that on-going activities and classes for children and youth shall be supervised by two screened and approved volunteers. Two adults will be present in each classroom or doors will be left open.

- In the event that an adult volunteer becomes incapacitated and unable to carry out assigned responsibilities the DRE, Parish Visitor Coordinator, or the person in charge of the program or activity shall be notified and appropriate arrangements shall be made for the care of the infants, children or youth in attendance.
- The Foothills Unitarian Church may choose to provide childcare for meetings, programs, classes, and other events that are a part of congregational activities, at the discretion of the DRE. If childcare is not arranged by Foothills Unitarian Church, parents or guardians may arrange with the DRE to use the facilities of Foothills Unitarian Church for childcare. The parents or guardians of these children are responsible for hiring and supervising the child caregivers for their children. The DRE will provide a list of screened child caregivers as a courtesy, but Foothills Unitarian Church accepts no responsibility for caregivers hired by the parents or guardians.
- If a staff person or primary volunteer wishes to meet with a child, youth or vulnerable adult one-on-one outside of normal classroom or program activities, the parent or guardian of that child or youth or vulnerable adult must give explicit permission for the meeting to occur. If the child or youth does not want the parent to be notified of the meeting, then a second staff person must be present for the meeting. In the case of high school youth, a second young person of the same gender as youth requesting the meeting may sit in.

Open Classrooms

Classrooms will be arranged so that windows are not totally obstructed and dividers or curtains are partially open.

The DFM or someone appointed by the DFM to act in her/his place will observe classrooms without prior notification to the teachers each Sunday.

Parents and guardians are welcome to observe RE classrooms at any time. However, whenever possible, we strongly encourage parents to inform the teacher and/or DRE in advance, as unannounced visits can be disruptive.

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