

Mosaic Kids Volunteer Information
Updated: November 1, 2022

Mosaic Kids exists to partner with parents to help the next generation belong, believe, and become resilient disciples of Jesus Christ.

[We want to be the best place for every kid to hear the gospel.](#)

We are so thankful for the volunteers and leaders of Mosaic Kids. It truly is a church-wide effort to cultivate a safe, sustainable, and vibrant environment for kids to hear the gospel. Thank you for serving in Mosaic Kids! As we've talked to parents, volunteers, teachers, and leaders these two burdens have been front and center as we head into 2023:

1. We want Mosaic Kids to be a warm, safe, and engaging place for children on Sunday mornings from check-in to pick-up. We are specifically focusing on how to best serve children with disabilities and how to cultivate an environment that is accessible for a wide variety of kids.
2. We are focused on the big picture! We want to see kids grow into Jesus-loving adults. [Research](#) tells us that one of the most important ways to pursue this is for children to have safe and warm relationships with Christian adults other than their parents. Sunday mornings are for commending the works of the Lord to the next generation AND building relationships between children and a network of adults who will be integral to their spiritual formation and connection to the church at large.

We love you and consider it an immense privilege to serve alongside you. We are excited and expectant for what the Lord is doing in and through this ministry.

-Mosaic Kids Team

Winter Mosaic Kids Volunteer Updates

Winter Volunteer + Mosaic Kids Schedule

- No Mosaic Kids volunteers will be scheduled from December 4 - January 1. Please be on the lookout for volunteer assignments for January 8 and beyond in December. **We hope that this rhythm of rest for Mosaic Kids volunteers is a blessing!**
- Mosaic Kids will be available for Birth-Kinder December 4, 11, and 18 with Tempsitters.
- Mosaic Kids 1st-3rd Grade will not be available December 4 - January 1.
- Mosaic Kids 4th-6th Grade (9 am before service) will break from November 20 - January 29.
- Mosaic Kids will not be available on December 25 and January 1.

January 2023 Volunteer Training

- We will have our annual Mosaic Kids volunteer training in person in January. Stay tuned for more details. For now, save the date for Saturday, January 21st. **To best help us prepare, please fill out this survey.**

Sunday Morning Reminders:

- **The volunteer meetings are at 9 am!** You can see your meeting locations by ministry team below. Head straight to the team huddle location that corresponds with your classroom assignment.
- **Your name tags will be at your team huddle. *Your assignment is on your Planning Center schedule and printed on your name tag.***
- Please wear your yellow MK T-shirt!
- **Currently, we have enough volunteers to not turn away kids or close rooms if everyone serves once a month.** The best way we can ensure that we have the right volunteer coverage per week is to reschedule volunteers. If you need to reschedule, please tell Mosaic Kids staff early enough in the month to coordinate schedule changes, preferably one to two months in advance.
- We know it is the cold and flu season. Sick policies for volunteers and children are [here!](#)

Helpful Links:

- [Curriculum Calendar](#)
- [Policies and Procedures](#)
- [Sickness Policy](#)
- [Mosaic Kids Programming Availability](#)

Team Huddles by Ministry Team

Ministry Team	Team Huddle Location
Mosaic Kids Nursery <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 0-17 months • 18-23 months • 2s 	0-17 Months Classroom E8
Mosaic Kids Preschool <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3s • 4s • 5s • Kinder 	Kinder Classroom E6
Mosaic Kids Lower Elementary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1st-3rd Grade 	Gym
Mosaic Kids Upper Elementary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4th-6th Grade 	4th-6th Grade Classroom *meets at 8:40 am*

Classroom Liturgy

God Gathers His People	Check-in/Drop-off; Stations
We Pray to God	“Of-the-Months” + Pray
We Listen to God’s Word	Large Group Lesson
We Respond to God	GFP + Review Questions; Craft; Song
God Sends Us on Mission	Blessing + Benediction

FAQs

- **What factors contribute to children being turned away?**
 - The number and ages of children of volunteers checked in before service begins.
 - Attendance patterns due to holidays, travel, and sickness.
 - Volunteer scheduling patterns. **Specifically, the weekends we turn away kids, the number one factor is our staff not being able to reschedule volunteers with enough notice. The best practice for this is to tell Mosaic Kids staff early enough in the month to coordinate schedule changes, preferably one to two months in advance.**
- **What support do you give families with young children that are turned away on a Sunday morning?**
 - Turn Away Bags with activities for children to use during service.
 - Family Room with a livestream of the service.
 - Nursing Mom’s room connected to the sanctuary.
 - Children’s Moment for children of all ages where children are directly engaged in our liturgy.
 - We strive to be a church where the worship gathering is welcoming and hospitable to all children.
 - ***If a family needs further resources or support, we would love to connect them with seasoned parents or ministry leaders.***
- **How can I best set-up friends/visitors on a Sunday morning?**
 - Encourage them to get to service early. Mosaic Kids registration begins around 9:40.
 - Share the current programming format and availability. ***For example: 1st-3rd grade has a mid-service dismissal and is not available on 5th Sundays.***
 - As a reminder, children are expected to go to the classroom that corresponds to their age and/or grade. Per our policy, we do not allow children to cross ministry environments. ***For example: a Kindergartener cannot be checked into or attend 1st-3rd grade.***
- **Can children serve in classrooms as junior volunteers?**
 - Presently, 4th-6th Grader children of current Mosaic Kids volunteers may serve in Mosaic Kids Nursery (Birth-Age 2) and Preschool (3s-K) with their parents or designated adult(s) (as approved by Mosaic Kids Staff).
- **What is the biggest way we can bless the staff and Sunday Leads?**
 - Putting everything back in the correct place :)

- Reference the volunteer ring in your classroom

What about coffee?

We got you. Coffee will be in each ministry meeting location.