

## Parent and Child Agreement

### (1) Respect God & His Word

- Why? Deuteronomy 10:12-13 tells us that God gives us rules to follow, and tells us to love and serve Him with all our heart.
- The motion for the rule is to point up.
- What does this look like? We remember that we are here to learn about God first. We listen quietly when someone is reading The Bible or praying.

### (2) Respect Leaders

- Why? Hebrews 13:17 tells us that God has instituted authority over us, and we are to obey them.
- The motion for this rule is to salute one of our teachers.
- How do we do this? We listen when an adult is talking. We do what we are told to do.

### (3) Respect Each Other

- Why? Hebrews 10:24-25 teaches us the importance of the gathered church.
- The motion for this rule is to point to our neighbors.
- How do we do this? We are kind, loving, and encouraging to our classmates. We keep our hands and feet to ourselves, and we try not to be a distraction to others.

### (4) Respect Church Property

- Why? Psalm 24:1 tells us that the earth and everything in it is the Lord's.
- The motion for this rule is to make a "roof" over your head with your hands.
- How do we do this? We use supplies and toys correctly. We don't play with things that are off limits (pool, ping-pong, air hockey tables, and bean bag chairs). We don't play in areas that are off limits (on the stage, in the sacristy, the kitchen, the parking lot)

## Parent and Child Agreement Explanation and Policies

We are thrilled to have your child be a part of Trinity Kids Sunday School and children's ministry. As a part of our continuing to provide a safe, nurturing, and loving experience for your child, we ask that you read our Parent and Child agreement, and explain the behavior expectations to your child before they come into Sunday School.

We do not expect any child to be perfect at following these expectations, and our volunteers are trained in managing the typical classroom behaviors in children.

If a child is consistently struggling with following our expectations, and therefore hindering our safe, nurturing, and loving children's ministry experience, we will ask that you speak with your child, reminding them why these guidelines are in place. If your child continues to struggle with these expectations, we may ask you to accompany them in Sunday School, or keep them with you during the service.

In the case of bullying (causing emotional distress or physical harm to another person) you may be called to come pick your child up before the end of Sunday School, and keep them with you through the rest of the service. How we will proceed with your child's involvement will depend on the severity of the issue, at the discretion of the Pastor and children's ministry leaders.

By signing this letter, you are acknowledging that you have read the Parent and Child Agreement, and have talked with your Child(ren), explaining these expectations to them. You also understand our policies should these expectations not be met by your child.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Signature \_\_\_\_\_