



## PRESCHOOL FORM FOR KIDS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

At Mercy Hill Kids, our desire is to ignite a relationship between your child and the Lord Jesus Christ. Our volunteer and staff team, though not formally trained in special education, wants to partner with you in the care and spiritual training of your child. In filling out this form, you can provide us with essential information to understand and assist your child in the Mercy Hill Kids environment.

*(This information may be shared with ministry volunteers as needed to adapt programming for your child.)*

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Usual Service Time (Circle):      9:30      11:00      5:00

Parents'/Guardians' Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone Number(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Food Allergies: \_\_\_\_\_ Epi-Pen (Circle):    Yes    No

Other Relevant Allergies:

Health or Medical Concerns/Disability Diagnosis:

Child's Favorite Activities:

Child's Dislikes, Aversions, or Triggers:

Communication: Verbal \_\_\_\_\_ Non-Verbal \_\_\_\_\_ Sign Language \_\_\_\_\_

Further Explanation:

Special Equipment or Medical Devices Needed:



*During your child's time at Mercy Hill Kids, he or she will participate in several activities. Upon arrival, your child will be dropped off in an age based classroom where he or she is allowed to play with toys, called Connection Time. This is a structured play time for preschoolers to connect with other kids and adult volunteers.*

**Do you foresee your child needing any support during connection time** (initiating play with friends, communicating, sharing, taking turns, being paired with a buddy)?

*Following Connection Time, the preschoolers transition to the Kids Worship Space. During worship, preschoolers are gathered together in a larger group setting where they play a game and sing together. Depending on the service time you attend, there may be up to 20+ children in one room during this time. Worship lasts approximately 15 minutes.*

**Does your child need assistance in traveling from one room to another?**

**Does your child have any sensitivity to music or larger groups of people?**

**Does your child have a physical disability that would prevent him or her from being able to play a game** (Simon Says, Hot Potato, Relays etc.)?

**Does your child need extra assistance to remain engaged during worship?**

**Are there extra steps we can take to help make your child's worship experience a positive one?**



*Once worship is over, preschoolers transition back to their classroom setting. During Small Group, preschoolers watch a short video, sit and listen to a lesson, color and work on a craft, repeat memory verses, and eat a snack of goldfish and water.*

**Does your child need extra assistance to remain engaged during Small Group?**

**What strategies would be helpful for your child during Small Group** (sitting next to the Small Group teacher, allowing your child to move around periodically, pairing your child with a buddy)?

**Does your child need extra assistance eating goldfish and drinking water? Would you prefer they were given a snack you provide? Would you prefer they are not given a snack?**

**Is your child potty trained? Does your child need assistance going to the bathroom?**

#### **EMERGENCY CARE**

CALL PARENTS/GUARDIANS if the following symptoms are present:

CALL 911 (EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES) if the following symptoms are present, as well as contacting the parents/guardians:

TAKE THESE MEASURES while waiting for parents or medical help to arrive:



We want to encourage your child to embrace a growing relationship with Jesus and to have a positive experience at Mercy Hill! Please let us know any other helpful information about your child:

**Spiritual goals you would like your child to strive for** (learning how to pray, memorizing a verse, obedience or behavioral goals):

Signature(s) of the Parent(s):

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Date Signed:

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Signature(s) of Ministry Leader(s):

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Signature of Classroom Team Leader:

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Signature of volunteer buddy or small group leader (if applicable):

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