**BRIGHTVIEW COMMUNITY CHURCH PREVENTATIVE AND PANDEMIC ACTION PLAN POLICY – COR13 Edition**

The following document outlines the practices and precautions taken by the COR13 Youth, Jr. Youth and Young Adult ministries of Brightview Community Church (BCC-COR13) during the time of a pandemic.

Government mandated practices during a pandemic supersede the practices outlined in this document.

The desire of BCC-COR13 programs is to provide a safe environment for students to grow, both in maturity and in relationship to God. Therefore, we will make great effort to maintain the greatest reasonable safety while still allowing for students to grow.

**CORE PROGRAM PRACTICES:**

**1) Intentional Relationships**

*An essential part of adolescent development is the ability to have chosen relationships. This is a fundamental human need that is in line with Gods created design for humanity.*

**2) Theological Teaching**

*Sound theological teaching is essential to develop a worldview in line with the reality of the universe that God has created.*

**3) Worship**

*Worship is a response to the greatness of God and is essential to the Christian life.*

**GOAL FOR PANDEMIC PRACTICES:**

**1) Reduce the spread of the pandemic virus**

*A virus will generally spread from host to host through various interaction. The goal of many of the safety precautions is to reduce direct physical interactions by as many people as possible while still carrying out the essential practices listed above*

**2) To react quickly and effectively in the case of contamination**

*If it is discovered that a student or leader was infected during a program, we have a plan in place for quickly informing others of the infection, thus reducing greater spread.*

**GENERAL PRACTICES:**

**1) If sick – DO NOT ATTEND**

*Any person experiencing any symptoms of illness should remain at home and must not attend any programs at Brightview Community Church*

**2) Sign-in**

*Every student, leader or parent who enters the building will be required to use the sign-in sheet provided in the foyer. They will print their full name and a contact number that they can be reached at.*

**3) Physical Distancing**

*All people should maintain a distance of 6ft between themselves and others with the exception of cohort groups or family members.*

**4) Direct Foot Traffic**

*With the use of signs on the doors and markings on the floors, we will help direct movement in high traffic areas.*

**5) Online resources**

*During a pandemic we will make great efforts to have an active online presence. If programs are shut down, weekly videos will be provided. Otherwise we will record programs and provide access to them on our website:* [*www.brightviewchurch.ca*](http://www.brightviewchurch.ca)

**6) Cleaning/Sanitation**

*Rigorous cleaning will be done to any high touch areas during and after the program*

**7) Masks**

*When doing activities in which physical distancing is not possible, students and staff will be encouraged to wear a mask*

**PRACTICES FOR COR13 YOUTH (gr. 7-12)**

**1) Small groups**

*Students will be assigned to a small group which will serve as their cohort. Once assigned to a group a person will remain in that group weekly until such time as the pandemic practices have been lifted.*

*As much as possible, these cohort groups will align with school cohort groups.*

**2) Snack**

*No snack will be provided to the group. Students who need snacks for whatever reason should come prepared with their own sealed snack (such as a granola bar). If a student does bring their own snack, they must not share it with any other students. If a person wishes to volunteer to bring a snack, it must be a commercial pre-packaged snack that is individually wrapped.*

**PRACTICES FOR COR13 JR.YOUTH (gr. 4-6)**

**1) Explore viable options**

*This program may be limited by government restrictions. In person programming will be explored within the confines of those limitations. Online programming will also be explored and implemented as possible.*

**PRACTICES FOR YOUNG ADULTS (gr. 12+)**

**1) Food**

*Meals will be prepared by a restaurant and provided to the young adults. If prepared food is not available, young adults may still eat together if each person brings their own.*

**IN THE EVENT OF AN OUTBREAK**

**1) Contacting**

*In the case of a potential infection, health authorities will be informed and/or they would have contacted us of a potential spread. All people on the attendance sheet during the time of the spread will be contacted within 24 hours of the church being made aware of the contamination.*

**2) Shutdown**

*We will follow the recommendations that Alberta Health Officials lay out in our particular case. If necessary, programs and Sunday services will enter shutdown until the safety of all involved can be reasonably assured.*

**3) Cleaning/Sanitation**

*Rigorous cleaning will be done to the church to try and omit any other spread.*