



Steele Heights Baptist Church

Power Up Guidelines for Parents 2017-18

Steele Heights Baptist Church is pleased to provide Christian education for your child during worship services. Our Power Up ministry is for children Age 2 to Grade 6. All of our volunteers are screened through police, reference checks and interviews.

The following guidelines will help you have a great experience with Power Up!

- 1. Children in Power Up are grouped according to birth year/Grade level. This enables teachers to provide programming appropriate to the children and nurture their peer relationships.**
- 2. Children may be signed into their group between 9:30 - 10:15 am. Check-in and registration for all Power Up classes closes 15 minutes after each service begins. If the check-in is closed when you arrive, take your child(ren) to their classrooms and make sure the teacher knows they are there. If your child is signed in and decides not to participate, please advise their leader.**
- 3. All children 2 & 3 years old must be escorted by a parent/guardian to The Garden (Rm 110) when dismissed to Power Up.**
- 4. If your child exhibits any of the following symptoms, please refrain from bringing them to Power Up. Power Up volunteers have the right to refuse your child entry if any of these symptoms are exhibited:**
 - * fever**
 - * unusual fatigue**
 - * irritability**
 - * coughing and sneezing**
 - * runny nose and eyes**
 - * vomiting**
 - * diarrhea**
 - * inflamed mouth and throat**

5. Power Up classrooms are a secure environment and only children and screened volunteers are permitted to enter. If you wish to remain with your child, please ask the assigned volunteer and record your name on the classroom attendance chart.

6. Family security codes are provided on your child's name tag and your corresponding tag at the child check-in station for secure pick up of your child at the end of the service and so volunteers can notify you if your child is unhappy, ill or has an injury. Your number will be shown on the projector screens in the sanctuary if volunteers need you to come to your child's aid. Please come immediately when you see your number. For your child's safety, only people over the age of 16 with the corresponding tag are able to pick up children from the Power Up area.

7. Children in Grades 4 -6 may be given permission by their parent/guardian to self release on the annual registration form. This means once Power Up is over, they can leave on their own from the classroom to go and find their parent/guardian upstairs. If this waiver is not signed, the parent/guardian must come down to the classroom to check the child out of the room.

8. Snacks may be given on occasion in all Power Up classes. Please inform check in staff of all allergies and medical issues.

9. Please have your child leave all toys and gaming devices at home. When they are in Power Up, we need their full attention in order to make their experience the best it can be.

10. Please remember to review your Home Connection sheet. This sheet will be e-mailed to you weekly to provide you with a bible passage to read together as a family, suggestions to help you pray and activities to do to put your faith in action. This is will also be available to you in print at the check-in desk.

11. All Power Up teachers, apprentices and check-in workers are volunteers; please remember to thank them.

If you wish to join a Power Up volunteer team for teaching or child check- in, please contact Antoinette Moore at antoinette@shbc.ca or 780-478-1553 ext 31.