

**THE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP OF POUGHKEEPSIE
LIFESPAN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COMMITTEE
POLICY ON SUNDAY SCHOOL HOURS OF OPERATION & CLASSROOM DISMISSAL**

In acknowledgement of the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Poughkeepsie's frequently stated goal of maintaining a safe congregation for our children, while acknowledging also the rights of the volunteer teachers to enjoy aspects of Fellowship life such as coffee hour and further acknowledging the responsibility of parents to supervise their own children, the Lifespan Religious Education Committee hereby adopts the following official policy on Sunday School Hours of Operation and Classroom Dismissal:

- 1) Nursery: Children may be brought to the nursery at 10:20am on Sunday mornings and must be picked up by a parent or guardian by 11:50am. No child will be allowed to leave the nursery unless under the direct supervision of a parent or guardian.

- 2) Pre-k through 6: On Sundays when the children are not included in the service in the Main Meeting Room, a Children's worship service will be planned and children may be accompanied to the upper hallway and left with teachers and attendants at 10:20am. On Sundays when the children start in the Main Meeting Room, they will be released to the care of their teachers at the appropriate point in the service.
 - a) Pre-k through 2nd graders must be picked up at their individual classrooms by a parent or guardian by 11:50am;
 - b) 3rd through 6th graders will be released from their individual classrooms at 11:50am.

Following the release of the children from the classrooms at 11:50am, the responsibility for supervision rests on the parents and guardians. In the interests of safety, all classrooms are off limits to children after 11:50am. The playground and other areas of the Fellowship's property are not supervised and parents allow their children to play in these areas at their own risk.