



### **How do I find out more?**

The Children and Youth Ministries Coordinator (Andrew) is available on Sunday mornings to answer questions.

Please contact Andrew at [dfmyouthcoordinator@gmail.com](mailto:dfmyouthcoordinator@gmail.com) to have your children included in our roster or to be added to the Children or Youth Ministries Google Groups for regular updates.

Additional information about the program can be found at our [Young Friends webpage](#).



### **Safety Is Important**

Our guidelines require that 2 adults be within sight of the children at all times. First Aid Supplies are available in every area. If the first aid kit has been used for a child, their parents will be notified.

Parents are encouraged to let the First Day School Assistant know if their child has (1) a diagnosis of a disability, delay, or long-term health condition; or (2) their child is experiencing any significant life events that may affect his or her emotional well-being or behavior. Our hope is that positive and proactive communication can enable children to have the most positive experience as part of our community.



What do the kids do on Sunday morning?

### **First Day School At Durham Friends Meeting**

People of all ages are invited to attend Meeting for Worship at 10:30 am. Most of our Young Friends leave worship at 10:45 to participate in our First Day School program. Children from infant to fifth grade meet on the ground floor of the Meeting House. All children under fourth grade must be signed in and out by their parents. Please sign in your child outside at the table on the lower level. Middle and high school youth meet in the Historic Meeting House on the other side of the playground. Parents are welcome to visit classes at any time.

### **Nursery (until age 2)**



Our nursery is located on the ground floor. We have 2 paid nursery providers who care for children each week.

### **Toddlers (until age 4)**



The toddler room is on the ground floor next to the nursery. Our toddlers sing, play and hear stories with a paid caregiver and a volunteer assistant.

### **Pre-School - Third Grade**



Volunteer teachers and playground helpers are with these children each week. Each group has 30 minutes of playground and snack time as well as a 30 minute lesson. Lessons include stories, activities, and art projects focused on the monthly theme. Some of our themes have included Simplicity, Peace, Integrity and Community.

### **Singing Sunday**



The first Sunday of every month Pre-K - 3rd grade meet on the lower level to make music together.

### **Fourth-Fifth Grade**



Fourth and fifth grade young friends have a classroom on the lower level but often meet outside in nice weather. Each year the class studies a different Gospel from the Bible in a relaxed, fun and open way. They also enjoy cookies and games.

### **Middle and High School Youth**

Middle and high school youth meet regularly in the original meetinghouse that is toward the front of our campus. They consider a wide variety of spiritual topics over the course of the year. Two adult volunteers guide this class.

### **Junior Meeting**

On the first first day (first Sunday) of each month, the middle and high school youth meet for their Jr Meeting for Business, where they plan various social and service activities to do together. They have their own youth clerks to run the business meeting with the support of adult Jr Meeting Advisors.



### **RISE**

Every other year, our current 7th and 8th graders are invited to participate in a human relationship and sexuality program. Our hope is to ground their development in a Quaker experience of the Spirit. This program is held during 2 weekend retreats and 3 Sunday evenings over about a year. We draw from various resources to build this curriculum.