“A person’s a person, no matter how small.”
-Dr. Seuss
What is the Children On Campus Program?

West Virginia University is committed to providing protection of children on the University’s premises or involved in University sponsored programs at all geographic locations by providing guidance on reporting requirements for Child Abuse or Neglect; providing guidelines for appropriate supervision of children; and ensuring that the University complies with all federal and state laws and regulations regarding the employment of children.

What Programs Fall Under Children On Campus?

All programs involving children under the age eighteen (18). Examples include, but are not limited too:

- Summer Camps
- Specialty Camps such as academic camps or patient camps
- Outreach activities
- Sport camps
- Workshops, conferences and educational programs
- Tutoring
- Licensed childcare facilities and programs
- Sponsored student organization activities
- Any University sponsored program on or off the University’s premises

How do I Report Suspected Child Abuse or Neglect?

Each member of the university community and those participating in children on campus programs share a responsibility to report suspected abuse or neglect. To file a report you can go to our website, diversity.wvu.edu/equity-assurance/children-on-campus, and click the Report Child Abuse or Neglect button. Suspected abuse and neglect must also be reported through DHHR’s Abuse and Neglect Hotline (1-800-352-6513), and to Local Law Enforcement.

What are the Training Requirements?

All adults, any person 18 years of age or older who will have direct contact with children visiting campus will have to undergo training. Training is required every three years and can be either in person or online! Need a training? Go to diversity.wvu.edu/equity-assurance/children-on-campus to find out more!

If you need accommodations to complete the children on campus training please contact Jill Hess, ADA Coordinator at (304) 293-5600.

How do Background Checks Work?

All adults, any person 18 years of age or older who will have direct contact with children visiting campus will be subjected to an adequate and timely background check, before they are able to participate in programs. Background checks are required once every three years, and requests need to be submitted thirty days before the event takes place. Go to diversity.wvu.edu/equity-assurance/children-on-campus for more information about background checks!