

Family Pod Compatibility Checklist

This checklist can be used by families to gauge their level of compatibility with other families wishing to share childcare or other responsibilities during COVID. You likely will not agree on everything--this checklist is offered as a suggested starting point for discussions that can build up trust and transparency.

BASIC SAFETY	Yes	No	Maybe
My house has functioning smoke and carbon monoxide detectors.			
My household has a fire safety escape plan, which is communicated to the kids.			
My house has guns.			
If yes, these guns are locked up and unloaded.			
If yes, kids will be taught gun safety procedures (don't touch, tell adult).			
The adults in my household are willing to pay for and undergo a background check.			
I prefer that my matching family have web cameras that I can access.			
I am willing to install web cameras in my own home.			
I am certified in CPR/First Aid.			
If no, I am willing to watch a short refresher video online.			
I am willing to discuss sexual abuse with my children at a level appropriate to their age (e.g. "no secrets" policy for young kids, more explicit discussion with older kids)			
I prefer that noone (relatives, friends, service professionals, etc.) other than household members enter the other family's home when my child is there.			

COVID PRACTICES	Yes	No	Maybe
I am willing to take my child's temperature every morning.			
My family is committed to wearing masks.			
My family plans to stay at home at all times and not invite anyone over.			
My family plans to go outside but only outdoors where there are no people (car rides, hiking trails, etc.).			
My family plans to go outside but only outdoors where we will socially distance.			
My family plans to go inside low-risk places (grocery, retail, restaurant take-out).			
My family plans to go inside medium-risk places (eat in restaurants, gyms).			
My family plans to go inside high-risk places (hair salon, bars).			
A member of my household works in hospitals or nursing homes, or other high-risk COVID places			
A member of my household has to interact with customers face-to-face as part of their job.			

CHILDREN'S NEEDS	Yes	No	Maybe
My child has special needs			
My child has mild allergies.			
My child has life threatening allergies.			
My child needs constant supervision during playing or doing school work.			
My child is allowed to eat foods prepared by another family.			
My child is allowed to play outside on the property without supervision.			
Briefly describe your parenting style (permissive, authoritative, etc.):			

Miscellaneous Notes: