



Covid Policy revised 1-16-22

MITIGATION STRATEGIES AT SCHOOL:

1. Consistent and correct mask use for all staff and children ages 3 and up
2. Keeping students in cohorts in main classes
3. Distancing in Lunch Llamas, Early Birds, Imagination Station and Celebrate, as much as possible
4. Ventilation
5. Handwashing, hand sanitizing and encouraging all to cough or sneeze into their elbows
6. Requiring staff and children to stay home when they are ill and encourage COVID testing prior to returning
7. Cleaning and disinfecting the preschool daily; disinfecting high use areas throughout the day
8. Parents will complete a COVID questionnaire daily, as well as take and record their children's temperature. The completed/signed questionnaire & temperature record will be turned in DAILY at drop off. In the event that the questionnaire is forgotten, a questionnaire and temperature check will be completed prior to allowing the children to enter the preschool. Staff may choose to recheck temperatures and ask that children displaying any symptoms of illness return home.
9. Only preschool staff will be permitted inside the preschool. If an exception is made, families in the effected class will be notified as soon as possible.
10. Ill children will be separated from the group as soon as possible and sent home.
11. Families will be notified of any exposure to COVID through contact tracing.
12. There is the possibility of the preschool closing in the event a case of COVID within the preschool staff or children – in order to clean and sanitize, as well as to contact trace.
13. All children or adults with direct contact to the individual with Covid will be required to isolate at home per the guidelines below.
14. Parents will notify the school of any absences and provide all pertinent information regarding all illness (including type of exposure such as family member vs. other exposure, date of onset, etc.) to make sure students are returning in compliance with our policies.

ATTENDING SCHOOL:

1. Students should not attend preschool with symptoms of any illness, which has always been our policy. Please see handbook.
2. **Students WITH ANY ONE OR MORE OF THESE SYMPTOMS of Covid** (Fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of smell or taste, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea):
 - a. Send negative test results via email to director



- b. If you choose **not to test**, your child must quarantine for 10 days and **return on day 11**
 - c. Return to school when **all symptoms of illness have gone**, no fever without medication for 24 hours.
3. **Student TESTED POSITIVE for Covid**
- a. **DO NOT attend school** for a minimum of 5 days AND while any symptoms are present (date of test or first day of symptoms is day 0, next day is day 1)
 - b. **May return to school as soon as day 6 as long as he/she has no symptoms at all and must wear a mask at all times through day 10. No lunch at school until day 11.**
 - c. If the student is in the **twos class**, because the two-year-old children are not used to wearing masks in class and because others in the class will not be wearing masks, the child will need to remain at home THROUGH day 10 and can return on day 11.
4. **Exposed to someone with a confirmed case of Covid (exposure was NOT a household member)**
- a. **DO NOT attend school** for 5 days since the last day of exposure (last day of exposure day 0, next day is day 1)
 - b. **Test the child no sooner than day 5. When negative test results are received by the director, the child may return to school as soon as day 6 as long as he/she still has no symptoms and must wear a mask at all times through/including day 10. No lunch at school until day 11.**
 - c. **If no test, must quarantine for 10 days and can return with no symptoms on day 11.**
 - d. If the student is in the **twos class**, because the two-year-old children are not used to wearing masks in class and because others in the class will not be wearing masks, the child will need to remain at home THROUGH day 10 and can return on day 11.
5. **Student Exposed to someone with a confirmed case of Covid living in their household.**
- a. **DO NOT attend school** for 10 days (day zero is the first day that the household member is sick or if the person doesn't have symptoms, day zero is the day tested positive)
 - b. **IF** preschooler has no symptoms, then test on day 10.
 - c. **IF** preschooler develops symptoms before day 10, you can test at that time.
 - d. **When negative test results are received by the director, the child may return to school as soon as day 11 and day 16 he/she may return to lunch.**
 - e. **IF** test results are positive, then start at scenario in #3.
 - f. **IF no test** the child may return after day 15, if still asymptomatic, **return on day 16** (to lunch & class)
 - g. If the student is in the **twos class**, because the two-year-old children are not used to wearing masks in class and because others in the class will not be wearing masks, the child will need to remain at home THROUGH day 10 and can return on day 11.