



## **COVID-19 Safe Policies and Procedures**

The purpose of this document is to provide an overview of the requirements of all persons for being on school campus. It is not exhaustive and if you have any questions please refer them to staff for an answer.

### **Masks**

Provided masks remain optional under law, including any future update of the PED COVID19 toolkit, masks are not required to be worn on school premises except for the following:

- Food service workers;
- Any person conducting surveillance testing;
- Any person in the COVID19 isolation room or otherwise interacting with persons symptomatic of COVID19;
- Any person who is experiencing a symptom consistent with COVID19;
- Any person who is returning from quarantine required because of close contact with a person positive for COVID19 outside of his or her or their household. Any person in this category must continue vigilant mask wearing for 5 days following the quarantine.
- Any person who does not have a severe illness or severe immunosuppression and is returning to school from quarantine due to a positive test for COVID19. Any person in this category must continue vigilant mask wearing for 5 days following the quarantine.

Removal of masks is not required. Any person may also choose to continue to wear a mask

### **Vaccinations**

Vaccinations are not mandatory for students or school workers at this time. A “school worker” is defined by Public Health Order as “all paid and unpaid adults serving in a private school, public school, or charter school.” Notice will be given to all if vaccinations become mandatory for students or school workers.

However, all school workers must provide proof to the School that he or she or they have been vaccinated. Proof of vaccination may be in the form of the vaccination card indicating the individual completed a course of COVID-19 vaccination at least 14 days prior to the current date

or a print out or screen shot from NMVaxView indicating the individual completed a course of COVID-19 vaccination at least 14 days prior to the current date.

Any school worker who does not provide proof of vaccination, as well as proof of receipt of booster by February 4, 2022 or within four weeks of becoming eligible, must get tested for the virus on a weekly basis and provide proof of the results to the School.

### **Social Distancing**

All persons on School premises or at School events must keep 6 feet of social distancing to the greatest extent possible regardless of position, age, or vaccination status.

### **Visitors**

Adults who come on campus during school hours and who have not provided evidence of vaccination are required to complete a COVID-screening, including temperature check, upon entry. All visitors must follow relevant COVID-safe practices.

### **Screening**

All adults on the School's campus regardless of position, age, or vaccination status must comply with screening requirements including temperature checks and check-in questions.

Students are not required to be screened at this time. This is subject to change based on new laws or policies that may be put in effect. Notice will be given to all if screening becomes mandatory for students or school workers.

### **Testing**

Any school worker who has provided evidence of being up to date with COVID19 vaccinations including a booster, if eligible, need not participate in surveillance testing.

Any school worker who has provided evidence of being up to date with COVID19 vaccinations but is not yet eligible for a booster by February 4, 2022, also need not participate in surveillance testing until four weeks after becoming eligible for the booster.

In addition, any school worker who has tested positive in the past 90 days does not have to participate in surveillance testing.

All school workers who do not meet any of the above criteria must participate in surveillance testing each week.

Beginning March 21, 2022 surveillance testing of school workers is to be provided using rapid antigen testing through school-based rapid antigen testing programs, Premiere Medical Group or through other options sponsored by the DOH. Over-the-counter (OTC) rapid antigen COVID

tests taken at home may be used for surveillance testing when accompanied with a signed assurance from the individual tested.

Proof of vaccination may be in the form of the vaccination card indicating the individual completed a course of COVID-19 vaccination at least 14 days prior to the current date or a print out or screen shot from NMVaxView indicating the individual completed a course of COVID-19 vaccination at least 14 days prior to the current date.

Regular testing is not mandatory for students at this time. This is subject to change based on new laws or policies that may be put in effect. Notice will be given to all if student testing becomes mandatory for students.

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