

March 2, 2022

Dear KSDS families,

We are pleased to share our updated health and safety policies effective March 2, 2022. We continue to express our gratitude to our Health and Safety Committee for their unwavering support and guidance throughout the past two years and to all our families for their continued partnership.

Updated Health and Safety Policies Effective March 2, 2022

For a COVID (+) student/staff member:

The day of the positive test or first day of symptoms is “day zero.” The positive individual must:

- Quarantine through day 5
- Day 6 (if symptom free), come to the health suite at 7:45am for a rapid antigen test.
 - If Negative results, the student may stay in school and mask through day 10
 - If Positive results, the student shall return home and may try to take a rapid test again on subsequent day(s) OR, wait until day 11 and return to school without testing

If a student/staff member has a COVID (+) household contact or a known exposure outside their household:

The last day that the positive person was in contact with the student/staff member is “day zero.” (If the positive person is not able to remain isolated from the student/staff member following contact, please discuss with the nurses for alternate procedures).

The asymptomatic student/staff member may continue to come to school but must:

- Report to the nurse the nature of the positive (+) contact or exposure
- Have a parent accompany the student to the health suite at 7:45am on the next possible school day for their child to receive rapid antigen testing
 - The nurses will speak with the parent to determine the exact plan for any future testing including possible PCR testing
- Wear a mask in school through day 10

Waking up with Covid-like symptoms:

- Stay home and consider medical evaluation
- If the decision is made to test, provide results to nurse
- Remain home until symptoms have resolved
 - This includes no fever for a minimum of 24 hours without use of fever reducing medications

Developing symptoms during the school day:

- Any individual who develops symptoms during the school day will be sent to the school nurse for evaluation

***Please note that per previous communication, the school may administer a rapid antigen test

A special note about those with allergies:

We recognize that those with allergies can have prolonged symptoms that oftentimes overlap with the symptoms of COVID. For this reason, we would ask that parents make every effort to consult with their medical provider to find a regimen that most effectively controls the symptoms. Additionally, wearing masks during the spring pollen season may be one very good layer of symptom-control for your children.

Additional notes about masking in school:

- If parents test their child at home for any reason, it is imperative that the family communicate the results, including a picture, to the school nurse.
- All students must have a mask with them each school day.
- Masking is still required at all times in the Goldsmith (GECC) classrooms as well as the preschool hallway and the Health Suite.
- Masks are also required on Wednesday afternoons in common areas of the building when the Rosenbloom Religious School is in session.
- The school may ask students and staff to “mask up” for other assemblies, field trips or as metrics fluctuate.

We will continue to review and revise our policies throughout the spring.

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