

**Penn Family Early Childhood Center and
Shalom Shtayim**

**COVID-19 Procedures
as of November 17, 2022**

This document is informed by guidelines and requirements from New York City, New York State, the CDC, FDA, the Park Avenue Synagogue COVID Task Force and our peer institutions. We regularly review and update these procedures as needed.

If...your child has **any SYMPTOMS of COVID-19...**

And ...	Then ...
Your child is either vaccinated OR unvaccinated:	If you exhibit any of the symptoms that are associated with the COVID-19 virus, please stay home and take a rapid test. If the test is negative, please remain home until your symptoms are resolved/resolving. Call the ECC office to discuss your symptoms. Please rapid test again 5 days after the onset of symptoms. If your child has a fever or is vomiting, they may not return for 24 hours until unmedicated symptoms subside.

If your child tests positive for COVID-19 ...

Your child is either vaccinated OR unvaccinated:	Isolate for 5 days, where day 0 is the day of the positive test. If symptoms are fully resolved at the end of 5 days, your child may return to PAS on day 6 and must wear a well-fitting mask at all times, indoor and out, for days 6-10. Your child will eat more distanced from others. A COVID-19 test is not required to return. If symptoms are not resolved after 5 days, the child will remain at home until symptoms fully resolve.
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If your child is a close contact with someone who tests positive for COVID-19 AND is ASYMPTOMATIC (if symptomatic, see above)...

If your child is vaccinated or unvaccinated	Your child does not need to quarantine and can attend school. They must have a PCR test on day 5. They must wear a well-fitting mask at all times, for the duration of 10 days. Your child will eat more distanced from others. If a child was not exposed to the current COVID-19 case (because they were absent), they will not need to mask or test.
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If your child has recently recovered from COVID 19 in the last 90 days	They do not need to quarantine; they do not need to test.
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A Note About Masks

- Masking is currently optional for all individuals. While this policy is subject to change, see policies above as they pertain to masking.
- Masks are optional except for parents and caregivers of children in Shalom Shtayim who stay for longer periods.
- When masked, the most important variable, especially with our population, is that the masks be ones that are consistently and fully covering the nose and mouth.

Medical professionals recommend **surgical, N-95, KN-95, or KF-94 masks, but we are not requiring a specific type of mask.**

A Note About Testing

- Currently, we do not require surveillance testing. While this policy is subject to change, we are taking this standpoint with our community of families understanding we maintain a zero-tolerance policy with respect to symptoms that may be associated with COVID-19. The decision you make for your child to remain at home can not only protect your child but also the larger community from unnecessary disruptions.