

## Amendment to Vaccination Policy as it relates to schools on campus March 5, 2022

As you know, our synagogue policies and protocols are carefully and thoughtfully constructed and revised in adherence with requirements and recommendations of the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health (LACDPH), guided by the experts and advisors of our VBS Medical Advisory Committee and Pandemic Response Team, rooted in science, and informed by meaningful and current data. And as always, our decisions are made in partnership with the VBS Day School, Early Childhood Center (ECC), and our ECLC. Currently, The LA County Covid-19 test positivity rate has fallen below 2%, which indicates a low level of community transmission. Covid cases, deaths, and hospitalizations in LA County continue to decline. Therefore, our school leadership has proposed revisions to protocols related to select school events only.

The current VBS Synagogue Adult Vaccination Policy - last revised January 15, 2022 – remains in place and unchanged for all Temple services and events. However, the VBS Executive Committee has approved that VBS Day School, VBS ECC, and VBS ECLC will, at the discretion of school leadership, allow unvaccinated parents to attend specific school events with the accommodation of *two* negative COVID-19 tests.

As of Saturday, March 5, unvaccinated adults may test-in for *specified and approved school sponsored events only.* RSVPs will be strictly required, and individuals must submit the following:

- A negative Covid PCR test taken no earlier than 48 hours prior to the event, AND
- A negative **Covid antigen test** (at home rapid test is acceptable) with labeled name/date, taken the day of the event.

For more information regarding these policies, requirements for submitting test results, and which school events fall into this category, please reach out to your respective VBS school administration.

We will continue to review and revise our temple Covid-19 policies, adhering to our best practices for the safety of our community, as we monitor test positivity rates, LACDPH guidelines and recommendations, and consult with our medical advisory committee. If you have any questions about this amendment, please email Executive Director Mathew Weintraub at <a href="mailto:mweintraub@vbs.org">mweintraub@vbs.org</a>.