

Bayit Covid Policies October 2021

Health Self-Assessment before attending any Bayit sponsored activity:

- If you have taken a Covid-19 test due to an exposure or because you developed symptoms and are awaiting results you may not attend any tefillah or event at the Bayit until a negative test result is confirmed.
- Health Self Assessment:
 - Please do not come to the Bayit if you have a fever over 100 degrees or any symptoms such as loss of taste or smell, difficulty breathing, coughing, headaches or gastrointestinal difficulties
 - Vaccinated adults need to be extra vigilant about reporting even minor symptoms including slight coughs, sore throats and headaches. Those who are vaccinated and test positive for COVID have been known to present with minor symptoms alone, and may be able to spread the virus.
- If you develop symptoms or find out you have been exposed to someone with Covid-19, the following rules apply:
 - If you have not been vaccinated and have been exposed to someone with a confirmed case of Covid-19 in the past 14 days, please do not attend tefillot/events/programs at the Bayit until the 14-day quarantine has passed.
 - If you are fully vaccinated current CDC guidelines do not require a quarantine period following exposure as long as you **remain asymptomatic**.
 - *If you develop any symptoms, regardless of your vaccination status*, please be in touch with your healthcare provider and do not come to the Bayit.
- Please be mindful of the health of others when conducting your self-evaluation and if you have any symptoms please err on the side of caution and remain home regardless of your vaccination status.

Definition of Vaccinated: You have been fully vaccinated (2 shots Moderna/Pfizer or 1 shot Johnson & Johnson *plus the appropriate waiting period for full effect*).

Travel related restrictions: NYS no longer **requires** quarantine for ASYMPTOMATIC international travelers. For international travelers who are not yet vaccinated and who have not recovered from laboratory confirmed Covid-19 in the last 3 months, quarantine is **recommended**.

Advance Registration

- Registration is required for Tot Shabbat and Groups as we still have limited capacity.
- Advance registration is not required for daily or Shabbat tefillah.
- Requirements for other programs will be determined on a case by case basis.

Conduct while at the Bayit or Bayit sponsored event:

- **MASKING:**
 - **Outdoors:** Masking is now optional for all individuals, regardless of vaccination status while outdoors at the Bayit.
 - **Indoors:** Masks are required for all individuals ages 3+ regardless of vaccination status.
- **PHYSICAL DISTANCING:**
 - During tefillah and other gatherings, chairs are set up in the familiar configuration in most of each tefillah space, though there will be fewer rows in order to accommodate a 3' separation between rows.
 - A portion of the seats in each service will be set up in pods of 2-3 chairs that are a 6' distance apart
 - **Vaccinated adults and anyone under 12** are invited to sit wherever feels most comfortable to them. For those who sit in the non-distanced seats, please keep 1 empty chair between groups.
 - **Unvaccinated adults** are required to sit in the designated areas with physically distant pods of chairs.
- **TEFILLAH**
 - Vaccinated individuals who will be leading services, speaking or leyning during tefillah on Shabbat have the option to unmask while on the bima if they are feeling well and have a negative Antigen or PCR test within 72 hours.
- **DINING**
 - Guidance for private events, both indoors and outdoors, has been relaxed in a manner consistent with the above guidelines. Please reach out to Richard (richard@thebayit.org or 732-626-5902) to discuss any event you are planning.
 - Meal Service Options
 - Buffet with masked/gloved servers
 - Individually wrapped portions for self service
 - Family style platters for each table
 - Servers passing single serve items - where server is the one to distribute each item from the tray. (servers should be masked/gloved)
 - Seating limits
 - Indoor dining while seated only.
 - Max 10 vaccinated people per table. or,
 - 1 unvaccinated person in a group of vaccinated people. Or,
 - two households with vaccinated adults and unvaccinated kids can share a table
 - Tables should be 6' -10' apart
 - 2 or more adults who are unvaccinated should be in a pod with people from their own household at a separate table