



## Temple Sinai Noar Sunday Guidelines During Community Spread of Flu-Like Illness and COVID-19

*\*Please note that this document will continue to be updated every 6-8 weeks in accordance with the latest evidence based guidelines.*

Noar Sunday is committed to opening and maintaining a safe and healthy learning environment for all of its young learners and will follow recommendations established by the CDC and our licensing body, Bright From the Start Georgia, in determining when to open or close the school during times of health emergencies.

These guidelines to the COVID-19 pandemic have been established in accordance with current recommendations put forth by the CDC, American Academy of Pediatrics, and Bright From the Start. We have also consulted with a panel of physicians and other child care providers to ensure we are utilizing best practices. These guidelines may change at any time in response to the evolving situation and we will update you if and when any changes take place.

**Important Note: Regardless of community spread, if there is a confirmed person with COVID-19 in the building, the education wing may close for up to 5 days and undergo thorough cleaning and disinfection of all spaces. The student or staff person with a positive COVID-19 case will not be allowed to return for at least 10 days and must be symptom free when they return. In the event that Noar Sunday is required to close due to COVID-19 related safety measures, we will launch our virtual learning program.**

### **Staff and Student Measures - Personal Protective Equipment (PPE )**

All staff and faculty will be trained on personal protective equipment (PPE). We view the use of face masks as an important way that we, as a community, can do our part to stop, or at least slow, the spread of the virus and protect each other. Students as well as all Madrichim and teachers will be required to wear a face mask during Noar Sunday.

We understand that prolonged use of face masks could be difficult for some students (especially our younger students), and each class will offer supervised “breaks” for students who need to remove their face mask temporarily, in a safe, physically distanced space within the classroom or outdoors.

All students will be asked to bring their own mask each week. If students do not comply with the face mask requirements, for the safety and security of our community, they will be asked to follow the remote learning option.

The following types of face masks are acceptable:

- Washable cloth face masks
- Disposable surgical or medical masks
- Double layered gaiters made of cotton
- Dust masks
- Neoprene masks with a replaceable paper filter
- Respirator masks
- Please note that face shields or bandanas may not be used as substitutes for masks.

## **Classroom Measures**

As we share a space with Temple Sinai Preschool, a licensed early childhood learning center, Noar Sunday has always taken great care to follow high standards for cleanliness and disinfection as required by the state. As we return to having in-person care, Noar Sunday will be increasing these efforts:

- Classrooms and all spaces utilized during Noar Sunday will be cleaned and disinfected daily with the JanPro system. Classroom surfaces (counters, tables, changing tables, etc.) will be cleaned and/or sanitized after use throughout the day between activities by Noar staff in addition to the daily cleaning by our maintenance staff.
- Where possible, equipment, supplies, and other items will not be shared between students.
- Where possible, within the classroom, students will have designated, distanced seating.
- Hand sanitizers will be available in each classroom and in the education lobbies.
- Items that cannot be easily sanitized will not be used.

## **Handwashing and Hygiene Practices**

Staff will wash hands frequently throughout the day, especially at the following times:

- Arrival to the facility and each time they enter the classroom
- After using the bathroom or assisting a child with using the bathroom
- Students and staff will wash hands after playing outside/in sand
- After handling garbage

Students will be encouraged to wash hands frequently throughout the day, especially at the following times:

- When they enter the classroom
- Before and after eating
- After playing outside/in sand
- After using the restroom

Hands should be washed with soap and warm water for at least 20 seconds. Alcohol based hand sanitizer (at least 60%) may be used in addition to hand washing. Any use of hand sanitizer must be closely supervised so that children cannot ingest the sanitizer. Hand sanitizer must be safely kept out of the reach of children at all times. Teachers or staff must assist children who are too young to properly wash their own hands. Sinks that are used for food preparation should not be used for any other purpose (i.e. handwashing).

### **Modified Schedules**

Each student will remain in their bayit cohort and will not be switching classrooms. Chugim will not be taking place onsite but we are working to incorporate special programs into each bayit experience. We are also installing technology to allow special guests to join virtually.

### **First Phase of Reopening**

Noar Sunday will adjust its operating hours to accommodate best practices with drop-off and pick-up. These hours could be reconsidered and extended as we enter a second phase of reopening, upon recommendation of Temple Sinai's Covid-19 task force and medical advisors.

#### **Noar Sunday Hours of Operation during the First Phase of Reopening:**

Noar Sunday: 9:30am-12:15pm

Morning Carpool: 8:45am-9:30am

Afternoon Carpool: 12:10pm-12:35pm

### **Drop Off Procedure**

We will be conducting drop off via carpool, but the procedure will look a little different than in previous years. Cars will line up at the back entrance of the preschool and parents will remain in their cars, there will be no walking children to class. A designated Noar staff member will approach your car, ask if you completed the health check, and then walk your child at the front doors where they will walk them to class.

Before arriving on campus, the parent must do a health check via the Procure app.

After completing the health check and screening, a designated staff member will take the student from the health check to the rear entrance of the building to let them inside. Once inside, another staff member will direct them to their classroom. The screener and staff member transporting students will remain consistent for the students' sake.

In the event of extenuating circumstances that require you to drop your child off after carpool, please make sure to contact the Noar office (404-255-6200) to coordinate your child's arrival so that there is a staff member available for screening.

**Carpool will run from 9:00 AM – 9:45 AM for Half and Plus Day Program**

**Carpool will run from 8:00 – 8:45 AM for the Full Day Program**

**Please adhere to your program's assigned carpool window.**

## **Daily Screening Procedures**

All staff and students will be screened before entering the building via the Procure app. *Parents/visitors will not be allowed into the building at this time.* During this daily screening individuals will be given a temperature check, a checklist of questions regarding staff or students' health, and a visual check for symptoms of the novel COVID-19. Anyone exhibiting any signs of illness will not be allowed into the building until symptoms subside.

During the screening, your child's temperature will be taken by a staff member who will be equipped with a mask, clear face shield, and gloves. A new set of gloves will be used for each screening and the thermometer will be disinfected after each use. Students with a temperature of 100.3 and below will be admitted; students with a temperature of 100.4 or higher will be asked to go home. Parents will then be asked to answer screening questions about their child's health that day. A visual inspection will be made to ensure the child is not exhibiting any symptoms (fever, shortness of breath, cough, extreme fatigue, etc.).

## **Health Screenings**

We are asking the staff and families to perform a screening questionnaire before coming to the building for Noar Sunday. The screening must be completed **before** arriving at the building by the parent or guardian. Specific details are forthcoming and will be communicated, however, here is an overview:

- Does the student have a fever of 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit?
- Have you experienced ANY known exposure to COVID-19 in the last 14 days, including visiting, cohabiting, or being within six feet of anyone who was ill?
- Have you travelled out of state or to any location that has been closed due to illness in the past 14 days?

- Have you experienced any of the following symptoms within the last 48 hours: *cough, shortness of breath, loss of smell/taste, muscle pain, chills, sore throat, gastrointestinal symptoms, fever of 100.4F or higher?*

## **Pick Up Procedure**

During pick-up, caregivers will pull into the carpool line at the rear entrance and remain in their vehicle. Your child will stand at the cone you are going to pull up at and get in the vehicle. It is your responsibility to buckle your child(ren) into their carseats. This should be done quickly to keep the carpool line moving. If you need more time to buckle or get situated, please pull into a parking spot in the lower level to do so.

If you need to arrange an earlier pick up time, please contact the Noar office (404-255-6200) to coordinate and we will ensure a staff member is outside to greet you and radio for your child.

***Parents/visitors will not be allowed into the building at this time.***

**During the First phase of reopening the hours are:**

**Carpool will run from 12:10PM – 12:35 PM for all Noar students.**

**Note: Sunday Hebrew must be done virtually, off Temple Sinai campus.**

## **Procedure for Sick Students/Staff**

If, during the school day, a staff member or child presents with symptoms of COVID-19 and/or a fever, cough, or shortness of breath, they will be moved to an isolation room or area of the school. A parent/caregiver will be called to pick the ill child up immediately.

The isolation room/area will be disinfected as soon as possible (there may be a 72 hour delay for the health and protection of our maintenance staff).

### **When can a sick student or staff member return to Noar Sunday?**

Sick children or staff members will not be allowed to return until they are fever free for 72 hours without fever reducing medication. If their doctor or pediatrician recommends getting a COVID test, child or staff member may not return until COVID test results come back negative. If they test positive, the child or staff member can not return to Noar Sunday until both 14 days have passed **and** they are symptom free.

***These guidelines have been updated as of July 27, 2020.***