

## Temple Beth David COVID-19 Safety Procedures

In order to protect the health and safety of all, Temple Beth David is regularly updating safety procedures in response to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. In the event that the local virus positivity rate or variant status changes, guidelines may be revised in order to adapt to these changes.

- I. All persons 12 years of age and older will be required to show proof of full vaccination upon entering the building. Those requesting an exception to this requirement must submit a request 2 weeks prior to entering the building. During all religious school activities everyone, regardless of vaccination status, is required to wear a proper mask. Masks must cover the nose and mouth at all times. The Temple will provide a disposable medical mask to anyone who wants a mask. At all other times, masks are optional. The Temple reserves the right to deny access to the building to any individual not in compliance with these requirements.
- II. No one should enter the building if they have any of the following: fever, cough, shortness of breath, or exposure to a COVID-positive person in the past 2 weeks or any 2 of the following: fever, chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, loss of taste or smell, congestion/runny nose, nausea/vomiting, diarrhea, or fatigue. We reserve the right to take individuals' temperature if needed. All persons will use hand sanitizer upon entering the building.
- III. Sanctuary: A maximum of 100 people will be allowed in the sanctuary (60 on the main floor; 40 in the balcony). Windows will be opened to provide ventilation. When individuals are called to the bima they will allow those called before them to leave the bima. Congregant(s) will read from the reading stand on the left, and the Rabbi/B'nai Mitzvah/prayer leader will read at the center table. In order to avoid crowds at the doorway when services conclude, congregants will exit the sanctuary in an orderly manner, one pew at a time as instructed by ushers. Those in the balcony will exit first, followed by those seated in the rear of the main floor. Everyone will remain in their pews until it is their turn to exit. Congregants are welcome to gather in outside spaces or in the social hall while being mindful of social distancing. At this time, the social hall has a maximum occupancy of 56 people. Singers, such as the Ruach Shabbat group, shall be allowed on the bimah. The first row of seating will be blocked off to allow for distance from the singer(s) to those in attendance.
- IV. Outdoor Services and Snacks for Students: Masks are not required for outdoor events. Religious school students may have snacks in outside spaces (regardless of vaccination status), but sharing of food/beverages is not permitted.
- V. Religious School: Parents must pick up and drop off their children outside of the building. At this time, parents are not allowed inside the building during religious school. A teen or adult will be waiting for the students at drop off to bring children into the building and will bring individual classes outside the building for pick up by parents at the conclusion of school. Masks will be worn by everyone, regardless of vaccination status.
- VI. Bathroom: Only one person or one family unit is allowed in each bathroom at a time. Hand washing or hand sanitizer must be used before leaving the bathroom.
- VII. Kitchen and Social Hall: At this time, up to 56 people may eat in the Social Hall, with a maximum of 8 people/per table at 7 round tables. With an abundance of caution, unvaccinated children must be masked and may only eat outside.
- VIII. Committee Meetings: Meetings may be conducted indoors at the discretion of the Temple President and the staff. All others should consult with the President and/or staff at this time.