



## COVID-19 HEALTH PROTOCOLS ADDENDUM TO PARENT HANDBOOK

### COVID-19 Updated Health Policy

- Daily health checks, including temperature measurement and a verbal health screening, will be conducted for all children, parents and staff when they arrive on campus. A person with a temperature above 99.9°F will not be allowed to stay at school.
- Any child exhibiting the COVID-19 symptoms below during the day will need to be picked up immediately (as soon as possible, but no longer than 30 minutes). A teacher exhibiting these symptoms will also be asked to leave school.
  - Fever over 99.9°F
  - Cough
  - Headache
  - Difficulty breathing
  - Sore throat
  - Frequent nasal discharge
  - Loss of taste or smell
  - Vomiting or diarrhea
- While waiting to be picked up, the child will be required to wear a disposable face mask and wait with a staff member in a designated outdoor area.
- If a child/staff member has a fever only, s/he will be required to stay at home until s/he is fever free without medication for 72 hours.
- If a child displays multiple COVID-19 symptoms, s/he will be required to stay at home for a minimum of seven days with at least three days that are fever free.
- If a child has a diagnosis other than COVID-19, a physician may send a letter of clearance to return to school.
- If a child, staff member or family member is diagnosed with COVID-19 the school will immediately call the Health Department and strictly follow their instructions. Such directions will include disinfecting protocol, potential closure of room/facility and returning to school guidelines.
- Please refer to the ECC Parent Handbook for our general Health Policy.

### Travel

In keeping with CDC recommendations, any child who travels to a "COVID hot spot" and/or internationally and/or by airplane should self-quarantine at home for a period of 14 days to monitor for any potential COVID symptoms. Likewise, if a family member/visitor in your home has arrived from a "COVID hot spot" and/or another country, your child should follow the 14 day self-quarantine.

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## **State Licensing Requirements**

- State licensing regulations require that we send home any child/staff member who exhibits any of the noted signs of illness.
- Please notify the school at once if your child has been exposed to or has contracted COVID-19 or another contagious disease.
- If your child is absent due to a contagious disease, a note of clearance from a pediatrician will be required before your child returns to school.
- Parents/caregivers must notify their child's teacher and the ECC administration of any allergy or other medical problem, such as food or insect bite allergies.
- All children must have up to date immunizations as required by the Department of Health and Social Services for preschool attendance.

## **Flow of Foot Traffic and Social Distancing in the ECC**

- Parents and staff are required to wear a face mask or shield on campus at all times. Children will wear masks until they have completed their health check and entered their classroom.
- 6' markers will be placed on the pavement outside the school and office for families to wait in line for a health check.
- The walkways within the school will be marked as one way.
- 6' markers will be placed on the walls around campus to help parents maintain appropriate distance when waiting for a class to open/dismiss.
- The ECC will have a table outside of the office where you can speak with the directors. Please observe the markers showing appropriate distance to stand. Parents will not have access to the office.
- Any parent needing to use the restroom will be directed to the main synagogue bathroom.
- Teachers will also use the main synagogue bathroom as to limit the number of staff members congregating in the office and using the smaller bathroom.

## **Morning Drop Off & Afternoon Pick Up Procedures**

- Each child and parent/caregiver will need to have a health check, including temperature measurement and verbal health screening, prior to entering the school.
- Parents will be required to wear a face mask while on campus. Children will wear a face mask until they complete their health check and enter their classroom. Teachers will wear a face mask or shield throughout the day.
- Class arrival and dismissal times will be staggered so that less people are utilizing the outdoor walkways.
- Only one parent may drop off/pick up each child. Older siblings may not enter the school.
- Sign in sheets and hand sanitizer will be available on a table outside each classroom. Parents will use a clean pen (provided) to sign in/out daily.
- Parents cannot enter the classrooms. Parents will meet teachers at the door, where they will say "goodbye" or "hello" and transfer their child to the teacher. If your child's class is on the playground at pickup, the same procedure will be followed. Parents may not enter the playground areas.
- Parents are asked to keep in-person conversations to a minimum. We have created class-specific email addresses to facilitate communication between parents and teachers. Emails will be responded to within 24 hours. In case of an emergency or urgent matter, contact the ECC office directly!

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## **School Cleaning Protocol**

- All classroom floors, chairs, counters and sinks will be cleaned and disinfected daily (or more as needed). Classroom tables will be cleaned and disinfected before and after each meal time.
- Our bathrooms are outfitted with touchless toilet flushers, faucets and soap dispensers. The bathrooms will be disinfected regularly throughout the day.
- A bucket for toys that have been in a child's mouth will be placed in each class. Such toys will be disinfected daily.
- In each class, a limited supply of toys will be available daily, and toys will be used on a three day rotation basis. Once toys are used they will be sanitized.
- Outdoor equipment handles and handle bars will be wiped with a disinfectant after each group ends their playground time.
- Where possible, separate outdoor toys will be used for each group daily.
- Common door handles will be wiped with disinfectant throughout the school day.
- Teachers will wear scrubs that are washed daily at school.

## **Classroom Guidelines & Protocols**

- Please keep a full change of clothes in your child's cubby at all times.
- All lunch items need to be brought to school in a disposable bag and disposable containers and all partially eaten food will be disposed of after lunch.
- We will provide children with water and disposable cups in lieu of sending water bottles to school (available in the classrooms and playground). In the nursery, bottles with lids and sippy cups with lids/disappearing straws are allowed.
- Students and staff members will wash hands with soap and water for 20 seconds multiple times throughout the day, specifically after using the restroom and before/after mealtimes.
- Snacks will be made by one staff member in our kitchen and delivered to each class' outdoor table. The staff member preparing the snack will wear a mask and gloves while preparing and delivering snack.
- Please refrain from sending lunch boxes and/or backpacks.
- Outdoor play areas will be used for one class at a time, on a rotational basis.
- Classroom windows will be kept open as much as possible to allow for ongoing ventilation.
- All full-time children who are entering Gamal or younger classes will have a daily rest/nap time in their own classrooms. Cots will be 6' apart and children will lay in a head to toe formation.
- Each camper will have a labeled cot to use with their own labeled bedding. Parents will send bedding to keep at school, including 1 fitted crib sheet and 1 light blanket. If a lovey is required, it must stay at school and be machine washable. No pillows please. Children's bedding will be stored in individual closed containers, and laundered at the school on a weekly basis.
- Nursery families will continue to send 5 clean, labeled crib sheets weekly, which will be sent home to be laundered.
- When possible, we will use every other classroom, so that each preschool class will have a bathroom assigned just for the children in that group.
- Specialty classes and Shabbat celebrations will continue via Zoom, as individual groups may not come in to contact with other groups.

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