

Temple Beth Emeth
COVID-19 Policy
November 2022

Policy

This policy applies across all Temple Beth Emeth (TBE) activities and all populations. Various programs at TBE may develop their own more restrictive policies and guidance; however, they may not be less protective than this policy.

TBE reserves the right to exclude any person in violation of this policy from in-person activities and TBE premises.

Vaccinations & Testing. Attendance at all in-person activities sponsored by TBE shall be restricted to:

1. Persons who are up to date with COVID-19 vaccinations;¹ or
2. Persons who have documentation of a negative COVID -19 PCR test taken within 48 hours prior to the in-person activity; or
3. Persons who are ineligible to receive a COVID-19 vaccine based on age or documented exemption from a medical provider.

TBE reserves the right to obtain documentation from an attendee to prove they meet one of these requirements. By attending any in-person activity, attendees are self-attesting that they meet one of these requirements and that they are feeling well and are without COVID-19 symptoms or other acute illness. People should please stay home if they feel unwell, even if they have a negative COVID-19 test. In accordance with this policy, all members of the Temple Beth Emeth staff are fully vaccinated against COVID-19 in accordance with current CDC recommendations.

Masks. Masking at TBE is based on the COVID-19 Community Level in Washtenaw County, according to the Washtenaw County Health Department.

When the community level is “HIGH,” attendees are required to wear a well-fitting disposable surgical mask or respirator (N95, KN95, or KF94, excluding those that have exhalation valves or vents) in public areas while inside the Temple building.

When the community level is “MEDIUM” or “LOW,” attendees are encouraged to wear masks in public areas while inside the Temple building.

Food & Beverage. We recognize the importance of breaking bread together as a community.

¹ At this time, “up to date” means having received both doses of an mRNA vaccine (currently Pfizer or Moderna) and at least two booster shots (if eligible) or one dose of a single-dose COVID-19 vaccine (currently Johnson & Johnson) and at least two booster shots.

Food and drink may be consumed in public areas while inside the Temple building or outdoors when the county COVID-19 community level is “LOW” or “MEDIUM.”

If the level reaches “HIGH,” food and drink may be consumed in public areas while inside the Temple building, but ONLY at events previously advertised as serving food. This is so that community members concerned about the risk can choose not to attend an event, based on their personal risk or preference.

This policy may be updated and modified as COVID evolves and as new variants emerge.

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