

August 3, 2021

Dear Congregants:

On July 27th, 2021 the CDC updated its guidance for fully vaccinated people recommending that everyone wear a mask at indoor public settings due to the rapidly spreading Delta variant. In light of the new recommendations, Congregation B'nai Chaim will be making the following changes to our COVID-19 policy.

The Board of Directors has approved the following protocols (subject to review and change) for those wishing to be in the building at any time and attend in-person events at Congregation B'nai Chaim:

- All individuals regardless of age or vaccination status are **REQUIRED** to wear a mask and socially distance at all times while in the building.
- Religious School will be in person and all students and staff will be required to wear a mask.
- The rabbi will only remove her mask when on the bimah to lead services since she will be 6 feet away from congregants.
- Challah, wine and food will not be served at this time at Services, Religious school and Shabbat in the Park. Please bring your own meal and drinks to Picnic and Paddle boarding and Shabbat in the Park.
- In the event of a positive COVID case at the congregation or Religious School, B'nai Chaim will notify the congregation. The congregation and Religious School will quarantine for 14 days holding services and Religious School on zoom.

We realize that some members of our community may not be fully vaccinated for various reasons or may be uncomfortable meeting in person, so we will continue to broadcast as many events as possible on Zoom or other platforms in the future.

Thank you for your patience and support.

We look forward to seeing you soon!

Sincerely,
Sarah Benjamin (she/her/hers)
President, B'nai Chaim Board of Directors