

Dear Friends,

The 384 Campus is working together to ensure that our community's health is our highest priority. We understand that the 384 Campus is a shared, communal space, and people of all ages - from the very young to the very old - gather here.

As a Jewish community committed to supporting one another, we want to remind everyone that you are not alone, as we are here to support you. Please reach out to any of the Campus Partners if we can be helpful, and please let your community know if you become ill so we can support you and ensure the health of others.

As part of our efforts to respond to the novel coronavirus outbreak, we have activated an Emergency Preparedness Task Force, made of representatives from all campus partners to actively monitor and manage the campus response. This team is in regular communication with each other to address the changing landscape. You can expect weekly updates from us, similar to this message, as public health needs evolve.

Today, we would like to share the following updates:

1. We continue to be in contact with both the Brookline Department of Health and the Massachusetts Department of Public Health to ensure we are following the most up to date guidelines available. Our relationships with local response agencies remain strong.
2. Each Campus partner will establish and communicate its preferred plan and practices in the coming weeks.
3. Non-essential large gatherings will be assessed on a case-by-case basis, with most expected to be canceled or postponed. Please be aware we do not make these decisions lightly, but are committed to the safety and well-being of the community. Some events further in the future may remain scheduled until we have a better sense of the risk at a later date.

We ask that everyone who enters our building comply with the following guidelines to help us and the community remain healthy.

Basic Health Practices:

- ***Staying home if you are sick:*** Err on the side of caution if you are feeling any illness symptoms or you are in a high-risk category. Please contact your healthcare provider if you have any concerns.
- ***Connecting without Contact:*** We ask you to refrain from kissing, hugging, and handshakes, opting instead for elbow-bumps or nods to acknowledge each other. While some call this “social distancing” we are

ultimately a community that strives to draw close to one another. As we limit our physical contact, may we also increase our efforts to draw emotionally and spiritually near to one another. We encourage you to find creative ways to check in with each other, reach out to more isolated members of the community through phone and video, and pray for one another in this time of uncertainty.

· ***Handwashing: The best defense against the spread of illness is frequent handwashing with soap and water. There are several bathrooms throughout the building for your convenience.*** We will also do our best to provide alcohol-based hand sanitizer throughout the building, subject to supply restrictions.

Food Safety at Campus Events

- ***Heightened food safety precautions***
 - o Food at kiddush and other events will be served rather than taken by guests. Please be patient as you are served.
 - o Servers will wash hands frequently and wear gloves when handling food and serving utensils.
 - o All food items will be provided by a caterer or purchased in sealed containers.
 - o No home cooked food can be served.
 - o Campus partners may not cook in the 384 Campus kitchen.

Our campus cleaning company has already stepped up their cleaning, concentrating on high traffic areas as well as adjusting cleaning times to address the rhythm of our building.

We are closely monitoring all COVID-19 best practices. We ask that you partner with us by adhering to the above guidelines. We will continue to keep you updated.

Educational Programming

School will remain in session as long as feasible and recommended by public health authorities. We will continue to monitor local public and private school closures and will close our programs if Brookline schools close for general risk reasons. Events that would encourage mixing between classes or bring outside individuals onto campus will be curtailed.

- Preschool

- All children who are ill or have close contacts who are high risk for the disease should stay home. School staff will monitor children for symptoms and any who develop illness while at school will be sent home.
- Outside enrichments are canceled, as is the Parent Breakfast that had been scheduled for March 18th.
- KI Religious School will proceed as scheduled until such time as the Town of Brookline indicates that schools need to close. As with all other activities, please use discretion and keep students home if they are unwell or have been exposed to risk of infection.

We look forward to bringing our community together while keeping us all as safe as possible.

Yours,

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