

Dear Members:

We hope you and your families are doing well and enjoying your summer.

We are writing to let you know that we are continuously monitoring the current circumstances, including the rise of Covid cases in certain geographic areas, and we are currently not making any fundamental changes to our current protocols. Our safety measures allowed us to return to shul and expand our operations close to where they were before Covid.

Over the last few weeks, strict adherence to those protocols have been somewhat lax. Therefore, we would like to take this opportunity to remind you of some of the critical rules that are in place:

1. Anyone who is not fully vaccinated (fourteen days after receiving the complete vaccination regimen) is required to wear a mask while inside the YIW.

a. All children twelve and under must keep their masks on while inside. We are asking all parents to please make sure that their children -- twelve and younger -- remain masked while inside (except while in groups).

2. Anyone with symptoms is asked to stay home.

3. Unmasking is an option only for those who are fully vaccinated. Testing positive for antibodies, or recently recovering from Covid, does not render someone eligible to unmask.

Since returning to Shul, we have operated on the honor system. We are not requiring proof of vaccination. We are relying on our members and guests to be honest and to respect the safety and well-being of all of our mispallelim.

We will continue to monitor the current situation as well as the guidelines, and we will update with any changes.

With Hashem's help, we are hopeful that we will not see an increase of Covid in our community. We are very appreciative of your continued cooperation.

Rabbi Shalom Axelrod

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