

COVID-19 Policies and Procedures for Agudas Achim Preschool 2021-2022

Based on Virginia Department of Education Guidelines for Child Care Programs July 22, 2021
Subject to change as guidance evolves

Masking

- Teachers will wear masks indoors and outdoors, except when drinking or eating
- Children will wear masks indoors and outdoors, except when drinking, eating, or napping
- Teachers will take into account the age and medical and developmental needs of each individual child when implementing the mask policy

Distancing

- Teachers will encourage physical distancing between the children to the extent practicable and appropriate while still allowing for the care and developmental needs of the children
- Parents and caregivers will drop off and pick up their children at the exterior classroom doors

Cohorting

- Children will stay in distinct groups day to day and will not mix with other groups
 - The two 4s classes will be a cohort
 - The two 3s classes will be a cohort
 - The two 2s classes will be a cohort
- Shared spaces (such as the bathrooms, social hall, playground, or STEAM Lab) will only be used by one cohort at a time
- Vaccinated and masked teachers and visitors may travel between cohorts (floaters; music, movement, and Ivrit teachers; rabbi and hazzan, etc.)

Cleaning and Disinfecting (of indoor toys, materials, and surfaces)

- Only toys and materials that can be cleaned and disinfected easily will be used, and those toys and materials will be cleaned and disinfected at the end of every day
- Different cohorts will not share toys and materials
- Surfaces (such as tabletops) will be cleaned and disinfected throughout the day

Monitoring Health and Safety

- Parents will NOT send their child to school if he or she is sick
- Parents will submit a Daily Health Check before sending their child to school every day
- Parents will NOT send their child to school if he or she was exposed to an individual with a suspected or confirmed case of COVID or a member of the child's household was exposed to an individual with a suspected or confirmed case of COVID – Testing and/or quarantining requirements must be met before the child can return to school
- The preschool will alert the families immediately if there is a suspected or confirmed case of COVID-19 within their child's class or cohort
- Teachers will be vaccinated