

## COVID Precaution Plan

### Masks

- Generally, masks will be optional for staff and students. When an individual has been exposed to COVID, regardless of vaccination status, they will be required to wear a mask for five days following exposure.

### Drop-Off/ Pick-up

- Parents will continue drop-off and pick-up at the door. Parents may enter the building when needed after having a COVID temperature and symptom check.
- Temperatures will be taken each day. **If a child's temperature exceeds 99.5 degrees, we will not be able to admit them to school for that day.** Our infrared thermometer tends to read low when outdoors, so we have reduced the threshold by 0.5 degrees in an abundance of caution. More than once last year, we admitted children who read between 99-100, only to find after being inside for a few minutes that their temperature rose above 100, and we would have to have their caregiver return to pick them up.
- Parents will be asked if their child has had any new COVID exposures, or any symptoms of illness (including Fever or chills, Cough, Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, Fatigue, Muscle or body aches, Headache, New loss of taste or smell, Sore throat, Congestion or runny nose, Nausea or vomiting, Diarrhea) or if they have given their child any fever-reducing medication in the last 24-hours.
- If the answer to any of these questions is "YES", then **we will not be able to admit them to school for that day.** (The exception to this would be if a child has a runny nose due to seasonal allergies, we may admit the child to school while symptomatic provided that they have documentation on file from a medical provider stating they experience seasonal allergies.)

### Health Policy

- If the child has shown symptoms of illness, **they will need to be kept home until (a) we have a doctor's note explaining an alternate diagnosis AND they are symptom-free for over 24 hrs. (b) we have documentation of a negative COVID test AND they are 24 hrs symptom-free (c) the child has quarantined for 10 days and is symptom-free for at least 72 hours.**
- Please remember that it has always been our policy that sick children should not be at school. Our usual sick policy is still maintained, along with our new COVID provisions. Our usual policies can be found in our parent handbook which is available on our website at <https://www.woodlandmontessori.com/>.

### Exposure and Quarantine

- The exposure and quarantine guidelines are the same for everyone regardless of vaccination status.
- If a student or staff member have been exposed to someone who has tested positive for covid, they will need to mask for 5 days and submit a negative COVID test to us on day 3 and 5 following exposure. They do not need to isolate at home.
- If a student or staff member tests positive for COVID, they will quarantine for 10 days from the initial onset of symptoms or from the positive test (if asymptomatic). If the individual tests negative with a rapid antigen test and has been symptom-free for over 24 hrs, they may return to school between days 6-10 but must wear a mask until day ten.
- If a family member of a student or staff member tests positive for COVID, the student or staff member will need to test every 24 hrs and closely monitor for symptoms in order to attend school. They will need to wear a mask until five days after the last day their family member is considered contagious.

# PLEASE DO NOT ENTER THE BUILDING

## IF YOU ANSWER “YES” TO ANY OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS

*You may see our director with any questions or concerns, as staff is unable to make any special exceptions.*

*Admn.woodlandmontessori.com or (509)924-1324*

1. Do you (or your child) have any of these symptoms that are not caused by another condition?

- Fever or chills
- Fatigue
- Diarrhea
- Nausea or vomiting
- Cough
- Headache
- Sore throat
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Muscle or body aches
- Congestion
- Recent loss of taste or smell

\*If caused by another condition, medical documentation of such must be provided for entry.

2. Have you (or your child) had a new exposure to anyone with COVID19 since last at school?

3. Has your child taken any fever reducing medication (such as Tylenol or Ibuprofen) in the last 24 hours?

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