

PHOENIX RANCH SCHOOL

Covid-19: 2022 Camp Plan

Throughout the pandemic we have gathered relevant information from the following trusted sources and have updated our safety plan accordingly. The following will replace our former Covid-19 related school policies and procedures.

- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
- CA Department of Public Health
- Ventura County Department of Public Health
- Department of Social Services, Child Care Licensing
- CAL-OSHA

It is expected that staff and families comply with these policies and procedures. Failing to comply may result in expulsion.

Illness Policy

- Upon arrival each day, the staff will conduct a visual inspection of each child for signs of illness which could include flushed cheeks, rapid/difficulty breathing, fatigue, cough, or runny nose. If a staff member suspects your child may be ill, you will be asked to take your child home.
- Parents are encouraged to conduct their own wellness check at home before coming to school. If your child appears ill, please keep him/her home, and inform the camp. If your child's symptoms are consistent with Covid-19, please get him/her tested. With a negative test result, your child may return if he/she has been symptom free for 24 hours.
- If a child develops a fever or symptoms while in school, parents will be notified immediately, and the child must be picked up within 30 minutes.
- **Your child must stay home if he/she:**
 - has a temperature of 100 degrees or higher (in order to return, your child must be fever free for 24 hours)
 - has a cough
 - has shortness of breath
 - has a sore throat
 - has a runny nose
 - has a tummy ache
 - vomits, even if just once
 - has even one bout of diarrhea
 - has a rash of any kind
 - is lethargic and not his/her usual self
 - is suspicious of being ill, based on the staff's observations
 - has lost a sense of smell or taste
- If you disagree with the school's decision to send your child home, you must pick-up your child regardless and may return the following day with a doctor's note clearly stating your child has been seen by the doctor and may safely return to school without the risk of infecting others.
- If a child is sent home for illness related reasons, he/she must remain home for at least 24 hours, even if symptoms don't appear at home.
- If your child is ill, they must return to school with a doctor's note and a negative Covid test if requested.
- All children must be up to date on all required vaccines. Children under the age of 5 are not eligible to receive the Covid-19 vaccine.
- If a child, family member, or staff member is exposed to an individual who tested positive or is suspicious of having COVID-19, the administration must be notified immediately.
- Parents or other adults who are experiencing any symptoms of illness may not enter school grounds.

Face Coverings/Masks

There will be certain situations in which masks may be required. Some of these situations include:

- A cohort on modified quarantine due to an exposure
- A cohort/individual returning from a shortened quarantine (Less than 10 days)
- Events/gatherings.
- There may be other situations that we cannot anticipate in which masks will be required.

In cases where an individual is required to wear a mask:

- All staff members must wear an upgraded mask (3-ply surgical mask or respirator)
- All children are encouraged to wear a 3-ply disposable mask with a nose wire as opposed to a cloth mask.

What if there is a positive case of Covid-19 in the school community?

If a child, family member or staff member tests positive for Covid-19 or is exposed to someone with COVID-19, the administration must be notified immediately. While we have attempted to outline the protocols for various exposure situations below, guidelines have become quite nuanced. Thus, we may create individualized quarantine plans depending on the situation.

Isolation

- If a staff member or student that is 2+ years old tests positive for Covid-19, the individual must isolate.
 - The individual may return after Day 5 if:
 - They are asymptomatic or their symptoms have greatly improved, and they are 24-hour fever free.
 - They take a test on Day 5 or later and are negative
 - They continue to wear a well-fitting medical-grade mask (surgical with nose wire or respirator) when around others at all times (indoors and outdoors) for days 6-10.
 - If the individual is unable to test or chooses not to test, they may end their isolation after 10 days if they are asymptomatic or symptoms are resolving, and they are fever free.
 - Please note that per Department of Public Health, we are not allowed to accept children back to school after a shortened 5-day isolation if they are unable to wear a 3-ply mask with a nose wire properly (covering mouth and nose) for the full day. If you child is unable to do so, they will need to isolate for the full 10 days.

Quarantine

The following guidelines dictate quarantine times for various categories. Please note, "exposure" refers to all incidences of exposure, including those indoors or outdoors, with masks or without masks.

- A person who has recovered from lab-confirmed Covid-19 within the last 90 days:
 - No quarantine required.
- A staff member who is boosted OR vaccinated and not yet eligible for a booster
 - No quarantine required if the following criteria are met:
 - Staff member wears an N95 mask for Day 1-5
 - Staff member tests immediately and then again on Days 3 and 5
- A student who is vaccinated and not yet booster eligible:
 - No quarantine required if the following criteria are met:
 - Student wears a well-fitted, non-cloth mask with a nose-wire at all times

- Student tests immediately and then again on Days 3 and 5
- A staff member or student who is unvaccinated OR vaccinated and booster eligible, but has not received their booster
 - Quarantine required.
 - The individual may return after 5 Days if the following criteria are met:
 - They are asymptomatic
 - They take a test on Day 5 or later and are negative
 - They continue to wear a well-fitting mask (surgical with nose wire or respirator) when around others at all times (indoors and outdoors) for days 6-10.
 - If the student is unable to wear a mask properly for the remaining days, they may return to school after 7 days with proof of a negative test taken on Day 5 or later.
 - If the individual is unable to test or chooses not to test, they may end their quarantine after 10 days if they are asymptomatic.
- **“Test to Stay”** Exception to quarantine rule for an unvaccinated student who is TK or higher:
 - The child may be able to remain in camp under modified quarantine if the following conditions are met
 - The exposure took place at camp while supervised by staff
 - The exposed child is asymptomatic
 - The exposure is not a part of a camp outbreak
 - The exposed child is not allowed to participate in extracurricular activities
 - Both children and the school must be able to state that both children were wearing masks while inside during the exposure
 - Children who are covered by a modified quarantine order must wear a mask while indoors.
 - There may be some instances in which the child will still have to remain at home. For example, if the child’s class is closed due to a Covid-19 exposure, this leaves the child without a teacher or a class to attend. We will try our best to accommodate your child in another class, but this will be based on availability.
- Per the Department of Public Health, if a member of the school community is exposed to a confirmed positive case of COVID-19 at home (parent, sibling, child or other person living in the same house), the quarantine period may be longer than 5, 7 or 10 days, unless the infected person is completely isolated during their entire quarantine period and has zero contact with the member of the school community who was initially exposed. Each scenario is different, so the total quarantine time for a particular individual will vary depending on several factors including level of isolation from infected person, mask usage, vaccination status, etc.
- If a student or staff member lives with a person who was exposed to Covid-19, they will need to quarantine according to the guidelines for their specific category above unless the following criteria are met:
 - The child/staff member’s family member is asymptomatic
 - The child/staff member’s family member shows proof of a negative test taken from Day 3 and Day 5.
 - The student or staff member must be able to wear a mask at all times
 - Example: A student’s mother is exposed to Covid-19 at her work. The mother has no symptoms, so the child can remain at school as long as the mother continues to be asymptomatic, and the mother shows a negative test result on Day 3 and Day 5.
 - If the family member that was exposed does test positive, a new quarantine plan will be created for the child or staff member from date of last exposure.
- If a member of the school community has been exposed to someone with COVID-19 and tests negative, and then later tests positive, his/her cohort may not need to be closed. This will depend on the specific timeline of events.
- Our action plan, following notice of a positive case in our school community, will be guided by the Department of Public Health. Parents will be notified that there is a positive case, and how we will proceed as a school.

Staff and Family Travel Plans

All parents and staff **must** report travel plans to administration. The Centers for Disease Control and Ventura County continue to urge that everyone avoid non-essential travel during this time when there are significant hot spots across the country and the world and significant risk from more infectious variants.

- Requirements for **unvaccinated** individuals (including children who are too young to be vaccinated)
 - Quarantine after travel
 - for 3 days upon return if they receive a negative Covid-19 test result after returning home and agree to test before reporting to camp on the 4th and 5th day.
 - for 10 days if they do not take a Covid-19 test.
- Requirements for **vaccinated** Individuals
 - If traveling domestically, fully vaccinated individuals do not have to quarantine after travel within the United States, if they don't have symptoms (one is fully vaccinated if 2 weeks have passed after their second dose of Pfizer or Moderna, or after their single dose of Johnson and Johnson)
 - If traveling internationally, fully vaccinated individuals who travel outside of the United States are required to have a negative Covid-19 test result no more than 3 days before travel or documentation of recovery from Covid-19 in the past 3 months before they board a flight to the United States. If negative, they don't need to quarantine.
- Additionally, The School may consider travel restrictions and orders set forth by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in determining how to best handle each unique situation.

Tuition Policy for Camp Closures

We do not anticipate closing cohorts this summer, due to our "Test to Stay" protocols (see above). However, please note that guidelines may change. Campers who need to quarantine for outside exposures can schedule make-up days, subject to space and availability. No refunds will be given for days missed due to outside exposures or non-participation in the Test to Stay program.

Vaccinations

Consistent with guidance from the Department of Health, The School will be tracking vaccination status of all employees and make that available to appropriate authorities upon request. All vaccinated employees must give proof of vaccination to their supervisor in the form of:

1. COVID-19 Vaccination Record Card (issued by the Department of Health and Human Services Centers for Disease Control & Prevention or WHO Yellow Card) which includes name of person vaccinated, type of vaccine provided, and date last dose administered), OR
2. a photo of a Vaccination Record Card as a separate document; OR
3. a photo of the client's Vaccination Record Card stored on a phone or electronic device, OR
4. documentation of COVID-19 vaccination from a health care provider; OR
5. digital record that includes a QR code that when scanned by a SMART Health Card reader displays to the reader client name, date of birth, vaccine dates and vaccine type, OR
6. documentation of vaccination from other contracted employers who follow these vaccination records guidelines and standards.

Employees who do not show proof of vaccination will be considered unvaccinated.

Weekly Testing

All staff members are required to submit to weekly testing, regardless of vaccination status. While vaccination provides a great deal of protection, vaccinated individuals are still vulnerable to and can spread COVID-19. A person recovering from lab-confirmed Covid-19 within the last 90 days does need to test weekly.

When referencing testing throughout the various sections of this plan, including isolation and quarantine guidelines, rapid antigen tests are acceptable, as well as PCR.

Activities Outside of Camp

- Campers will be seated in cohorts while on the bus, and windows will be opened for ventilation.

Our Camp reserves the right to dis-enroll any student at any time. We ask that you take our Covid-19 protocols and policies seriously and support us in our efforts to keep the camp as safe and healthy as possible. We must work together!

Covid 19 2022 Camp Plan– Parent Acknowledgement

By signing below, I acknowledge that I have read and agree to comply with The School’s 9 page ‘Covid 19: Return to School Safely Plan’. I have received a copy of the plan via email for my records. I understand that failing to comply may result in expulsion. The plan contains guidance, policies, and procedures in regard to the following:

- Zero Tolerance Illness Policy
- Face Coverings
- What if there is a positive case of Covid-19 in the school community?
- Staff and Family Travel Plans
- Tuition Policy
- Vaccinations
- Activities Outside of Camp

Child’s Name _____

Parent Name _____

Parent Signature _____

Date _____