



Covid-19 Policies

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This content may change based on pandemic status. By signing this document, you and all contacts on your emergency card agree to abide by these policies, any future updated policies sent via email and specific exposure related protocol sent via email. Our priority is to ensure the well-being and safety of our PGDS community.

Transparency: Everyone in your household agrees to not put themselves at risk for covid-19. Please DO NOT send your child to school with symptoms.

Precautions: As always, staff/children should hand wash throughout the day, especially at transitions. Continuous cleaning and sanitizing of the classrooms are a daily requirement. Each student brings their own water bottle to school.

Masks: are optional inside (regardless of vax status) and may be required during surges and exposures. Make sure masks are labeled and extras are kept in a labeled, clean paper bag when not in use. Unlabeled masks will be discarded.

Exposure: Please let us know if your child has been directly exposed to Covid or tests positive for Covid to help PGDS make informative decisions. If there is concern of exposure, your child may not attend until the concern has been resolved. PGDS will keep parents informed of any illnesses at school. Children who become sick during the day must be picked up within 30 minutes of notification. Designated quarantine room: Office. Designated person for Covid-19 concerns: Angela Tranquill. PGDS will email families if there has been a direct exposure to a classroom and contact the Health Department upon confirmation of exposure.

Close contact relates to exposure to individuals with COVID-19 and is defined by the CDC as being within 6 feet of an infected person for a cumulative total of 15 minutes.

Cohorts: Current cohorts are based on age groups. **Surges:** Cohorts will not mix, distancing will be enforced, classroom doors and windows will be open for circulation and additional outdoor time will be encouraged.

CLOSING of a classroom and QUARANTINING of close contacts will ONLY be considered during a Covid Outbreak meaning there are three or more people in a classroom who test positive for Covid. Parents are encouraged to have their child quarantine if they are a close contact and are not up to date on Covid-19 vaccinations. School Year ONLY: IF YOU CHOOSE TO QUARANTINE your child on your own, notify the school and you may pick up an activity packet for the 5 days you will be quarantining. *PGDS will inform families of positive cases of covid-19 and email any protocol. PGDS does not reimburse days of quarantine due to potential or confirmed Covid exposure. Returning from school mandated quarantine will require a rapid test on the morning of return.

Positive for Covid, regardless of vaccination status: May return on the 6th day when it has been at least 5 days after symptoms first appeared AND no fever for at least 24 hours without fever-reducing medication AND improvement of other symptoms. Must mask until day 10.

Exposure to a positive case at home: Individual masks for 10 days. **In a classroom:** All students must mask for 10 days.

Quarantine for students due to exposure to a close contact during a Covid outbreak:

- a) Neither fully vaccinated nor had Covid in the last 90 days – Returns on the 6th day and masks until day 10. Quarantine if you develop symptoms.
- b) Vaccinated or had Covid within last 90 days: No need to quarantine unless you develop symptoms.

Keeping my child home is the first and best option while the pandemic is a threat. I choose to send my child to PGDS during a pandemic. While PGDS will screen for Covid-19, I understand the risks and I take full responsibility should anyone in my household become sick with Covid-19 because of attending PGDS. I understand, agree and will adhere to all PGDS Covid-19 (Covid) Policies.

Parent #1 Name: _____

Date: _____

Parent #2 Name: _____

Date: _____