

COVID ADDENDUM: This is an addendum to our 2021-2022 Parent Handbook.

Mask Policy: Due to the rising Covid-19 cases in our area, Congregation Kol Tikvah has decided to continue with our mask policy for all adults and children while indoors with the exception of meal times.

Health and Safety: For the safety of our students, any food consumed will be done outside, weather permitting.

Children will be asked to wash their hands upon arrival and throughout the day (we will also have Purel stations). This would include but not limited to after the lavatory and after returning indoors after being outside.

Classrooms will be thoroughly cleaned and sanitized each night by our cleaning staff. During the day, classrooms will be sanitized routinely by both our teaching and maintenance staff. We use a fogging system that sanitizes all surfaces of the room. We use a fogging system that sanitizes all surfaces of the room. This includes but is not limited to frequent handwashing, sanitizing the bathroom toilet seats, faucets, door knobs, light switches, table and chairs, etc.

Health Screenings:

We will no longer be taking temperatures each morning as fever is no longer one of the most common symptoms of Covid-19. In addition, we will be forgoing the weekly Health Screenings. Instead, we ask that you monitor your child at home daily. If your child isn't feeling well, was exposed or potentially exposed, or your family will be traveling we ask that you contact Yael or Jen so next steps can be discussed.

Covid exposure: If there is a Covid exposure in the school our school will follow current CDC and Health Department guidelines. As of today, the current guidelines require a person that tests positive for Covid to isolate for 10 days and may return to school on day 11 as long as they are symptom free for 48 hours. If exposed to Covid you will be required to quarantine for 7 days and can return to school on day 8 as long as you have a negative PCR test result. Testing must happen no sooner than 5 days after exposure. **Once you receive your test results, you must notify and email your results to the Religious School office no later than the next school day. Results must be sent to the Religious School office regardless of whether they are positive, negative, or inconclusive. Failure to notify the Religious School of any Covid test results may result in expulsion from the school.**

If your child is not feeling well, please do not send them to school. Keep in mind the 48 hour rule: A CHILD NEEDS TO BE SYMPTOM FREE, INCLUDING FEVER, FOR 48 HOURS WITHOUT FEVER REDUCING MEDICINE BEFORE RETURNING TO

SCHOOL. ALL CHILDREN WHO HAVE BEEN SENT HOME WITH FEVER AND/OR COUGHING WILL NEED A DOCTOR'S NOTE TO RETURN TO SCHOOL DEPENDING ON ILLNESS, AND/OR A NEGATIVE PCR COVID TEST. ALL RASHES OR OTHERWISE CONTAGIOUS VIRUS WILL NEED A DOCTOR'S NOTE PERMITTING THEM TO RETURN TO SCHOOL.