

North Shore Montessori School
COVID-19 Health Policy

People with COVID-19 have had a wide range of symptoms reported – ranging from mild symptoms to severe illness. Symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus. People with these symptoms may have COVID-19:

- 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

North Shore Montessori School will follow the below guidelines*:

- If a child or staff member tests positive for COVID-19, the school must contact DOH and follow the guidance set forth. This may result in the whole class staying home to self isolate for a period of time. Families will be notified.
- If a child's family member tests positive for COVID-19, the child must remain home for a 14 day period to ensure they do not also present with symptoms. Families will be notified.
- If a child has a close contact with a person (outside their immediate family) who tests positive for COVID-19, the child may return to school after 10 days.
- If a child presents with any COVID-19 symptoms, they must be sent home immediately. Children who have these symptoms at home should not come to school that day. They may return to school when:
 - fever free without the use of antipyretics (fever reducing medicine) for 48 hours before returning to school
 - other symptoms have improved and no new symptoms are present
 - **AND** they have a doctor's note with a diagnosis clearing them to return to school

Masks - On September 16, 2021, the Office of Children and Family Services implemented an emergency regulation mandating all people in a child care setting to wear a mask indoors. The mandate applies to all people age **2 and older** who are able to medically tolerate a face covering, regardless of vaccination status. The requirement applies to OCFS licensed and registered child care and enrolled legally exempt group programs.

Travel Guidelines - See the CDC website for more information on: [Domestic Travel](#) and [International Travel](#) guidance.

*These policies are subject to change at any time.

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