



MOUNTAINSIDE HEALTH AND SAFETY PLAN

Our plan at Mountainside Preschool is to continue our mission of shining Jesus' love in a positive and Christ-centered environment so that we can help your child grow in all areas of development. Their physical safety as well as their mental and emotional health are all taken into consideration in this plan. We want to keep our students and families safe without sacrificing the joy of preschool. We have put in place a strategy for layered prevention that will keep our students and families safe. As always, we will continue to monitor the requirements and guidelines from the Commonwealth of PA, local school districts and the CDC and will update this plan if necessary.

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Screening Procedures

- All students and staff will be asked to self-monitor for COVID symptoms each day prior to arriving at school. Communications will be made to ensure that students and staff members with symptoms know they should not report to school.
- Students may use hand sanitizer upon entry.
- A staff member will make a visual inspection of the child for signs of illness according to our healthy policy. Symptomatic children and staff will be sent home.
- Persons who have a fever of 100.4°F or above or other signs of illness will be sent home.



Disinfecting Processes

- We will routinely clean, sanitize, and disinfect surfaces and objects that are frequently touched.
- Sanitizing dispensers will be available in every room.
- We use air filters/purifiers in our classrooms for increased ventilation.



PPE Guidelines for Children and Staff

- Face coverings will be optional for students and staff members. The school will support all individuals who prefer to wear a face-covering and will have a limited supply of masks available.



Sickness Policy

- Our regular sickness policies will apply. See our website or the parent handbook for details.

RETURN TO SCHOOL INSTRUCTIONS -

If your child is sick, they may return to school under the following guidelines:

- Exclude until without a fever, vomiting or diarrhea for at least 24 hours without the use of medications AND symptoms are improving or at the doctor recommended return date.



Quarantine & Isolation

FOR CONFIRMED POSITIVE COVID CASES:

If your child develops symptoms consistent with COVID-19, isolation and testing is recommended regardless of vaccination or prior infection status. **Individuals who test positive for COVID-19 may discontinue isolation under the following conditions:**

- At least 24 hours have passed since recovery - defined as resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications and improvement in respiratory symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath);

AND

- At least 5 days have passed since symptoms first appeared. (Day 0 is your first day of symptoms or a positive viral test)

EXPOSED STUDENTS (Close Contacts):

Should a student be exposed to someone with COVID-19, we recommend they wear a mask for **five days after their last exposure** if no symptoms have been reported during daily monitoring. (Day zero being the date of exposure.)