



MVPNS - COVID SAFETY RULES AND PROTOCOLS - 2021

COVID-19 Screening

Children and parents entering our school will take their own temperature BEFORE coming to MVPNS.

People who have a fever of **100.4 F (38.0 C) or above** or [other signs of illness](#) should **stay home** and let your teacher know as soon as possible.

Children and parents must be symptom-free or have a doctor's note verifying that the student/parent is not contagious (or does not need to be excluded) in order to attend school.

Symptoms and Testing

Using the QR Code by the entrance gate, parents or guardians will complete the symptom checker before entering the school.

Any person with COVID symptoms or a positive test must inform MVPNS as soon as possible and [quarantine as directed by CDC](#).

In the event of possible exposure/symptomatic members within the household, your child will need to stay home until you can provide a doctor's note verifying that the student/parent is not contagious.

[Test Result Decision Tree.](#)

Visual Health Check

Staff will conduct a health check of each student upon arrival to MVPNS.

Children exhibiting signs of illness (including fever, rash, runny nose and/or coughing) may not be permitted to attend until the illness subsides. In order to rule out contagious illness, MVPNS may also request that a child be examined by a doctor and receive written clearance from the doctor prior to returning to school.

Parents and children are required to wash their hands with water and soap at the outdoor sink upon arrival every school day.

Outdoor Learning Environment

We will be holding class in our outdoor environment until further notice.

We will use the indoor learning environment (with air purifiers) if needed for heavy rain.

We will have an air purifier and the bathroom fan on when children use the indoor restroom.

Masks

Well-fitted masks are one of the most effective and simplest mitigation layers to prevent in-school transmission of COVID-19 infections.

Parents/caregivers/ guardians will be required to wear masks at all times regardless of vaccination status. Children over 2 years old will be required to wear a face covering at all times except when they are taking a mask break in a designated area or having a snack or a child with special needs who is unable to wear a mask. Teachers will encourage everyone to keep their masks on at all times and wash hands regularly throughout the day.

Parents are encouraged to have well-fitted masks and extra masks in case their child needs to change it during class. When waiting in the pick up area, masks should be worn.

Eating and drinking

Families will provide their own child's **nut-free snack**. During snack time the children will sit socially distant (age appropriate).

In order to have children with masks on as much as possible, the size of the snack should be kept small and easy for the child to access.

Working parents may assist with opening containers, if needed.

Only children are allowed to eat at snack time during school hours.

Staff and parents may remove their masks briefly when outdoors at designated areas to drink water.

Isolation for Illness

We will exclude or isolate any child, parent/caregiver, or teacher showing symptoms of a contagious disease or illness. We will take action to isolate children who begin to have COVID-19 symptoms while in care, from other children and parents/caregivers and teachers.

We will ensure that isolated children continue to receive adequate care supervision and that the health of the child is continually observed throughout the day according to licensing requirements. We will notify local health officials, teachers, and families immediately.

[Guide for Scenarios & Response.](#)

Adults and school-aged children on campus

All adults entering the gates of MVPNS are required to be fully vaccinated (as defined by the CDC) and a COVID booster shot by Monday, April 18, 2022. (policy updated January 4, 2022) To enter campus, you must have proof of COVID-19 vaccination on file with MVPNS.

Caregivers doing only pick up or drop off of children, who do not have proof of vaccination on file, will need to wait outside the front gates. School-aged children (siblings) are not allowed at MVPNS during school hours **without prior approval or invitation**. If you are coming to pick up your preschooler with your school-aged child, please wait at the gate, a staff member will bring your preschooler to you.

Rules regarding visitors and volunteers on campus are subject to change. Safety of our young children is our top priority.

MVPNS is a special, close-knit community and we rely on everyone to keep each other safe and healthy.

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