

2021-2022 Healthy Community Protocols

At A Glance

Living Stones' 2021 Healthy Community Protocols

Our Priorities:

- Maintain in-person, on-campus learning and teaching, as much as possible
- Prioritize the physical, social, emotional, and spiritual well-being of students and staff
- Reduce the risk of spreading the virus by implementing daily screening and entry protocols, providing Personal Protection Equipment (PPE), adjusting daily routines for students and staff, strengthening our daily cleaning protocols, and utilizing the air ventilation throughout the building.

Our Assumptions:

- Students will move through the school day in a "cluster" or "pod". This means when students are inside they will spend the day with their classmates and teacher, but not with students from other classes. This will significantly reduce the number of people students will be exposed to each day (average of 20 students). Routines and schedules have been adjusted to keep one cluster of students (one class) from being within three feet of other classes. This will impact the arrival, dismissal, recess, meals, etc.
- Desks will be set up in the classrooms three feet apart to help students practice the recommended social distancing.
- Daily schedules will be adjusted to reduce the amount of time students spend in shared spaces.
 Specials, breakfast and lunch will be moved into the classrooms. Students will also be spending much more time outside.



Screening & Entry Protocols

In order for this plan to work, we must all abide by a shared set of expectations. Students and staff who are experiencing symptoms of COVID-19 must remain at home unless the symptoms are due to another condition that is clear and documented (i.e. seasonal allergies). In these cases a family must seek prior permission from the Head of School and in consultation with a healthcare professional for a student to attend school with symptoms.

We will conduct daily temperature checks as students arrive. If a person has any of the following currently known symptoms of COVID-19, they will not be able to enter school.

- Cough or sore throat
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fever (greater than 100.4° F), chills
- Headache
- Congestion or runny nose

- Fatigue, muscle pain and/or body aches
- Nausea or vomiting or diarrhea
- New loss of taste or smell
- Red eyes
- Rash or new skin discoloration

Decision Matrix

Health & Testing

We will use the following flowchart provided by the Kent County Health Department and the CDC to make decisions that support the health of our entire community.



HEATTHENT DEPARTMENT Caring today for a bealthy tomorrow **With symptoms** NOT as concerning* for COVID-19

NOT FULLY VACCINATED STUDENT/STAFF has symptoms NOT as concerning for COVID-19 **AND** has no known exposure to someone with COVID-19 in the past 10 days



- *Symptoms NOT as concerning for COVID are those that do not meet the criteria for concerning symptoms on Page 1
 - Example: Student or staff has only 1 symptom such as a fever, but not 2 symptoms of the table on page 1
- ** If Antigen test is done see page 6

Not fully vaccinated school close contacts, if one or both students was not masked, must follow one of the 3 quarantine options per the CDC (see page 3 of toolkit)



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FULLY VACCINATED STUDENT/STAFF has symptoms NOT as concerning for COVID-19 **AND** has no known exposure to someone with COVID-19 in the past 10 days





COUNTY

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VACCINATED STUDENT/STAFF has a concerning symptom or develops concerning symptoms at school



COUNTY

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Not Fully Vaccinated Students/Staff who have known exposure to a person with confirmed COVID-19 if one or both is not masked

Follow one of the 3 quarantine options per the CDC (see page 3 of toolkit)



- A negative COVID-19 test does not mean close contacts can end quarantine before 7 days.
- People may develop symptoms and test positive up to 14 days after exposure.
- In situations in which both people are consistently masked, quarantine from school is not indicated unless there is a household exposure or in certain outbreak situations.
- If one or both individuals were not masked and the exposure occurred outside of the school setting, then quarantine from school would be indicated for the close contact.

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Adjustments to Daily Routines

Drop-off & Pick-up

Temperature screening will take place each morning as students arrive at school. Multiple door entry points will be used to control crowding during drop-off and pick-up times. Once students arrive at school they will go directly into their classrooms.

Hallways

Teachers will ensure that students maintain increased spacing in lines as they move through hallways. As much as possible, schedules and procedures will be planned to prevent classes from crossing each other in the hallway.

Classroom Seating

Desks and chairs will be separated around classrooms to accommodate the 3-foot physical distancing.

Meals & Water Bottles

All students will be asked to bring a water bottle to school. Water bottles can be filled in the classroom. Breakfast and lunch will be enjoyed in the classroom or outdoors.

Facial Coverings

Students will be required to wear facial coverings on the bus and when inside at school, except when eating or drinking. Facial coverings will not be required when students are outside.

Worship

Worship is an important part of our life and learning together at Living Stones. Based on guidance from the Kent County Health Department, we will continue to worship each Wednesday morning. To keep students and staff healthy, we will either worship outside or worship indoors in the gym. When we are in the gym, we will break into two groups and worship with one group at a time. Masks will be worn and students will be spread out 3 feet.

Physical Education Classes

Physical Education classes will be held outside as much as possible.

Art, Music, Spanish & Technology Classes

Art, Music, Spanish, and Technology classes will be taught in homerooms. Band will be in the gym.

Designated Space for Sick Students

A monitored room will be set up for sick and symptomatic students that are evaluated and/or waiting to be picked up.

Parents & Volunteers

Parents and volunteers will be allowed into the building. All visitors must wear a facial covering and go through a health screening upon arrival that includes a temperature check.

Air Ventilation

Our improved air ventilation system will run throughout the day to ensure there is adequate air circulation in the classrooms and throughout the building. As much as possible, interior classroom doors will be propped open, and windows open to allow for fresh air to circulate.



Daily Cleaning Protocols

School-Wide Disinfection

We use EPA (Environmental Protection Agency) registered disinfectants to clean desks, common tables, countertops, doorknobs and handles, handrails, and bathroom fixtures every day.

Hand Sanitizer Stations

Hand sanitizing stations will be installed at all entrances and in other high-traffic areas of the building. Students and staff will be required to regularly wash their hands and/or use hand sanitizer to reduce the risk of transmitting the virus.

Partnering with Families

We rely on families to promote the same hygienic practices we will direct students to practice at school, including:

- Covering coughs or sneezes with a bent arm or tissue and washing hands or using hand sanitizer afterward
- Washing hands with soap and water for 20 seconds, drying hands with a paper towel
- Keeping hands away from nose, mouth, and eyes
- Avoiding the sharing of food, drinks, and personal items