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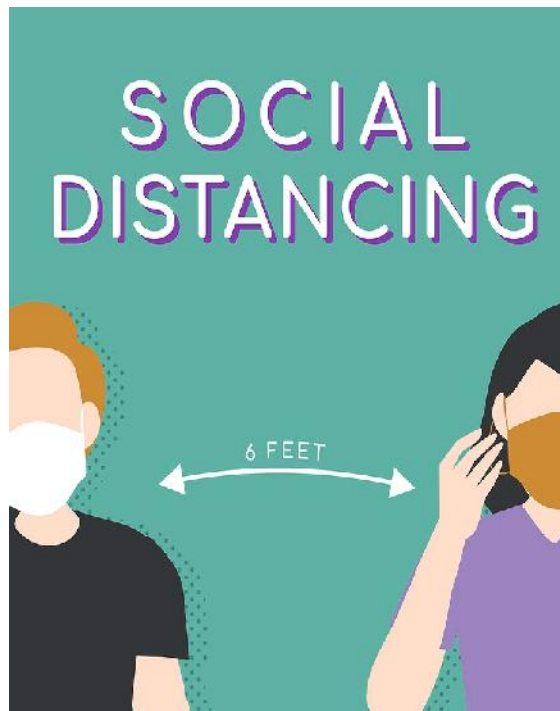


STANDARDS OF SAFETY & COVID-19 PLAN SHALOM PRESCHOOL - FALL 2020



- In accordance with the recommendations of the CDC, the local Health Department and Department of Children and Families Office of Child Care Regulation we have incorporated the following new guidelines and protocols at The Shalom Preschool.
- These rules may be updated and or changed guided by the mandating organizations. We will continue to update our standards as necessary should they be changed at any time.

IMPLEMENTED SOCIAL DISTANCING



- Only essential staff to the Shalom Preschool will be allowed on to our property. All our staff at The Shalom Preschool and any workers in the building will have been screened according to the CDC guidelines and deemed safe to work at school.
- All other people/adults including parents will not be allowed to enter the property. (See; drop off and pick up below).
- The nature of child play, learning and growth is that of human connection and touch and we will not be altering our games or activities to allow for avoiding touch.
- We will create 'pods' of children (each classroom) and staff, that will have its own bubble of social distancing. The children and staff of each pod will not be mixing with other groups.

INTENSIFIED CLEANING AND DISINFECTION



- We have implement a higher standard of hygiene and increased times for hand washing for both the children and staff.
- We have placed a hand sanitizing station at the main entrance of the building.
- We have intensified our cleaning and disinfection efforts to routinely clean, sanitize and disinfect surfaces and objects that are frequently touched.
- We will be using a Fogger throughout the week, with non-toxic, hospital-grade disinfectant.
- If your child remains for nap – the nap mat and all pillows and blankets will remain in school in large Ziplock bags when not in use and will be sent home Fridays.
- Children cannot bring toys from home.

MODIFIED HOURS & APPROVAL FOR ENTRY



- At this time, we are still working on a viable Early and After Care program. This is due to the inability to mix groups.
- Our school program will be from 9:00am-2:15pm Monday-Friday
- All children will be screened before being allowed into class. (See; screening procedures below)

CAR POOL LANE ONLY



- Drop off and pick up will be via 'carpool lane' in the alley way, in the northbound direction (towards NE 35th St).
- The Shalom staff are unable to take your child out of your car, or put them in to your car. You will need to step out, buckle/unbuckle them and help them in and out of the car.
- **Please wear a mask during carpool times.** During pick up and drop off, staff will always be wearing masks.

STAFF & CHILD SCREENING:



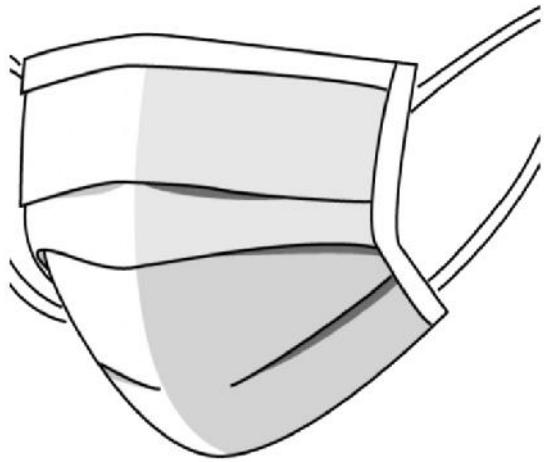
- You will need to wait while we screen your child. It will be done quickly yet efficiently.
- Please do your own screening at home before sending your child to school. Be sure they don't have fever, runny nose, cough, diarrhea or any of the illnesses listed in our parent handbook, and do not medicate your child before sending to school.
- We will take your child's temperature and check for any signs of illness. **Children with temperature of 99 or above will not be allowed in.**
- We will ask you basic questions about your child's and family's health
- We reserve the right to ask you to keep your child home if other household members are exhibiting signs of illnesses.
- Once deemed safe to join, we will give you the OK and your child will be escorted to class by one of our staff members.
- The children will wash their hands before entering the class, monitored by a staff member.
- Staff and all persons approved for entry regardless of the length of their visit, will be screened in the same manner.

MAINTAINING AN ADEQUATE RATIO OF STAFF TO CHILDREN TO ENSURE SAFETY.



- Our class sizes have always been small and will continue to remain so.
- Classrooms will start out with a maximum of 10 people in a room.
- Children and childcare providers will not change from one group to another.
- Each class will remain in their respective classrooms and not change classes during the day.
- Outside play will be limited to only one class at a time. Playground equipment will be cleaned between groups.

MASKS



- Students will not be mandated to wear masks.
- Children above 2 may choose to wear a mask or shield should they wish.
- Staff will be wearing masks indoors when feasible. They will not wear masks on the playground, and will maintain social distance.

FOOD



- Shalom Preschool will no longer be serving morning snack to our students.
- All snacks must be brought from home, following these guidelines. Please send FRESH FRUIT for morning snack and a dry afternoon snack. Snacks should have one of the listed Kosher signs on it.
- Please send your child with a full lunch, and a full water bottle or sippy cup. We will be sending those bottles or cups home daily.

ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS



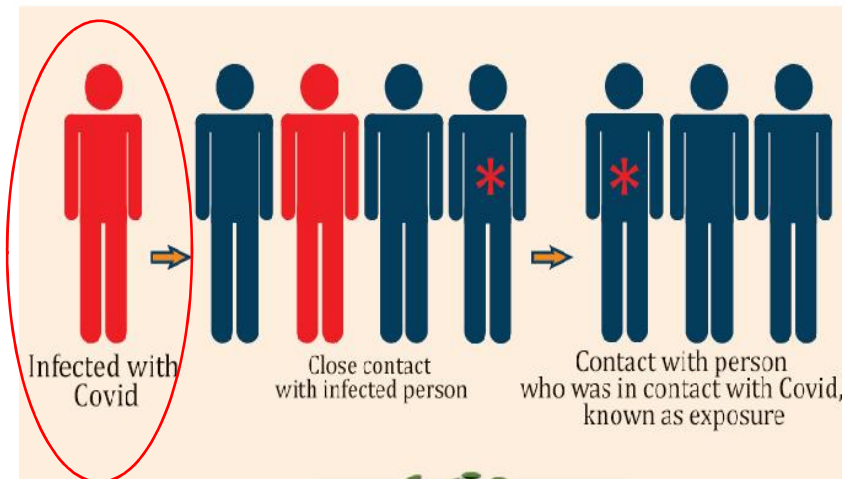
- We will continue to offer our enrichment programs during our school year. These include Kidokinetics and music.
- These staff members will utilize outdoor space when feasible and will always wear face shields or masks.
- When possible, they will keep 6 foot distance to lead their groups activity.
- Their equipment will be sanitized in between groups.

SICK POLICY



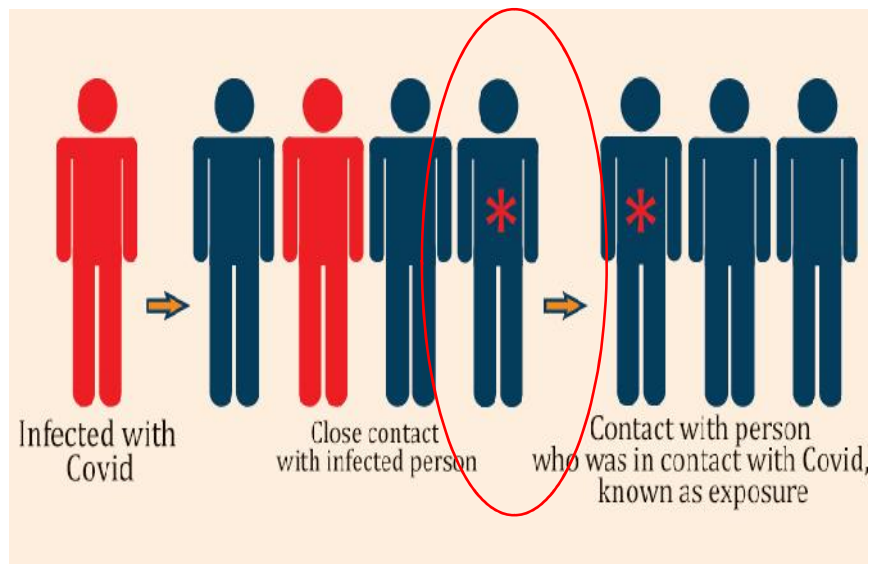
- We are dedicated to the well-being and health of our school families. For this reason, our sick policy is more stringent and less flexible going forward.
- If a child becomes symptomatic (such as: runny nose, cough, fever of 99 or above, diarrhea, pink eye), the child will be brought to the office for isolation. Child will need to be picked up by parent within one hour
- We reserve the right to determine if your child is having symptoms that requires them to be picked up.
- We have updated our sick policy to reflect a 72 hour wait time after symptoms have subsided, without the aid of medications, including procuring a Dr.'s note stating that no COVID-19 testing is necessary.
- We reserve the right to ask you to keep your child home if another family member, or person in your household is ill until we can determine that they are not ill with COVID-19.

IN THE EVENT OF A COVID OUTBREAK



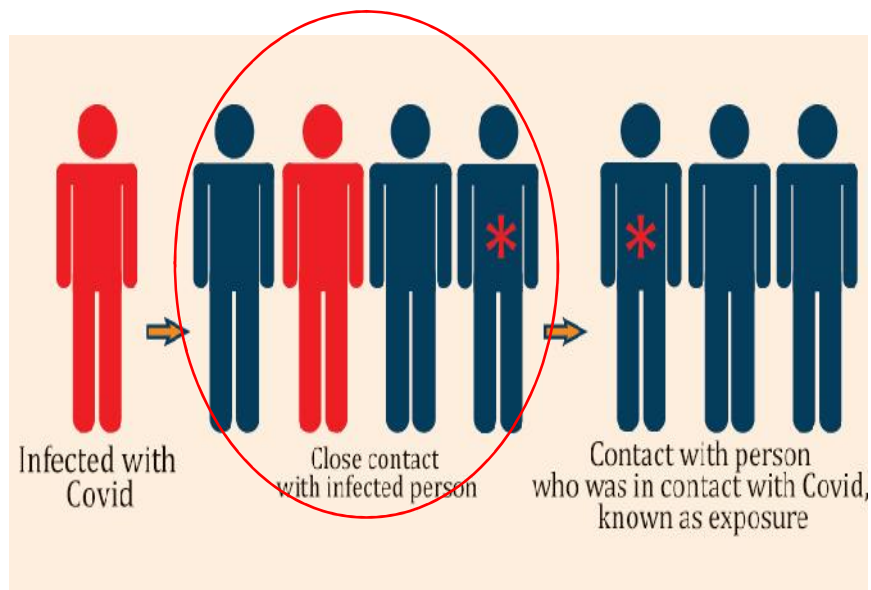
- If a student or staff member contracts COVID-19, the child/teacher will be required to stay home for fourteen days.
- Before returning to school, child/staff member must be tested to be sure he/she is free of COVID-19 (using testing methods approved by our medical consulting team) and the child/staff member does not exhibit any symptoms.

SITUATION A:



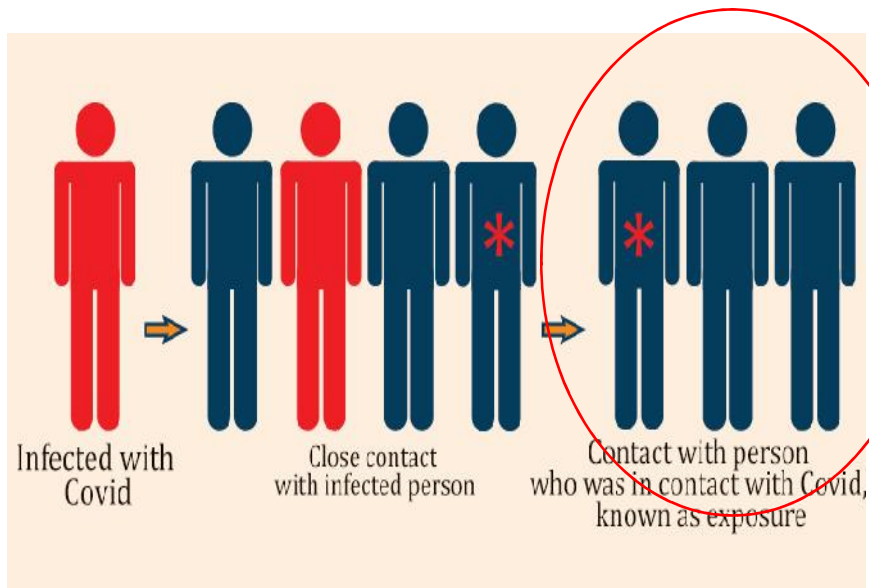
- AS SOON as a family is notified that someone isn't well, and has possibly contracted COVID-19, Shalom Preschool must be notified. **From that point on, child/staff member of that family will remain home.** If case in question is negative, they can return immediately. If case in question is positive, they must quarantine for 14 days, and monitor for symptoms, before returning to school, as per guidelines of our Health Dept. A negative test will be necessary before returning to school.
- This is a 'Close Contact Case'. Since only the person who was in close contact with a COVID-19 case is required to quarantine, this situation will not affect the other students or staff members.

SITUATION B:



- If a staff member or student tests positive for COVID-19, they must immediately notify us. In turn, we will notify the Health Dept and the DCF supervisor. Person with COVID-19, will quarantine for the full 14 days and retest before returning. (Again, subject to change based on guidelines given by Health Dept upon notification of case)
- All 'Close Contact Case' people will need to quarantine for 14 days and monitor for symptoms before returning to school. We may request all Close Contact Cases to also test negative before returning.
- This will affect all students and staff members who have come in contact with this student/teacher for more than 15 min, within 6 feet of the child, for up to 48 hours prior to the onset of symptoms or testing. (In other words, the child/teacher's classroom).
- In this case, only this pod will close for the 14 day quarantine period, and the rest of the school remains open.
- The classroom will be professionally deep cleaned and sanitized before reopening.

SITUATION C:



- If a classroom (or multiple classrooms) came in close contact with a “close contact” person, we will assess and consider whether that classroom (or multiple classes) need to stay home for the duration of the quarantine course.

SITUATION D:

- A government mandated closure due to Stay at Home order, as was the case in March 2020 (or any other long term closure).
- We don't anticipate this, as we generally fall under the Essential Business category as an Early Childhood Center.
- We will also be following the Broward County Public school closures as they relate to Natural Disasters such as Hurricanes and the like.



TUITION COMMITMENTS:



- **Shalom Preschool is committed to a full year of IN PERSON learning for the 2020-21 school year.**
- Payment schedule will remain as always, August 1- May 1.
- As long as Shalom Preschool is operating, no refunds will be made due to a child's illness, quarantine mandate, inability or change of mind to attend school.
- If Shalom Preschool will close beyond 2 weeks due to COVID-19, we will refund tuition from the third week onward. (For the first 2 weeks there will be no reimbursement).

The Situation	Next Steps	Return to School	Who does this Affect?
A. Household member is ill (Close Contact Case)	1. Notify Shalom Preschool immediately. 2. Child or staff remain home.	If ill person in question tests negative for COVID-19, the child or staff member may return immediately. If ill person in question tests positive for COVID-19, child or staff member must remain in quarantine for 14 days, and test negative before returning to school.	Only members of this family who attend the school.
B. Student or Staff member test positive for COVID-19	1. Notify Shalom Preschool immediately. 2. Infected person and Close Contact Cases (classmates and teacher) will quarantine for 14 days.	The one with COVID-19 and possibly all Close Contacts in his pod will need to complete their quarantine, and test negative before returning to school as mandated by Health Dept.	All students and staff in the infected ones pod.
C. An individual pod or multiple pods are affected by a COVID-19 case	1. Each pod will need to quarantine following steps above. 2. Shalom Preschool will assess if it is necessary to close the class or the entire program as a precaution.	If closure of class or multiple classes was necessary, children will return when quarantine period is complete, and negative results are in.	Individual pod, or in the other case, all pods affected.
D. Gov't mandated closure	All children and staff will remain home.	Once Stay At Home order is removed, and Shalom Preschool is prepared to reopen.	All staff and students enrolled in school

If you are uncomfortable with sending your child to school with these precautions in place, please keep your child at home.

These precautions are in place to provide every effort to keep every child and family safe; however, this does not provide any guarantee of any kind.

As the parent of the child attending, you assume all risks associated with allowing your child to begin attending. That being said, we are doing everything we can in our power to keep every child safe during this time. Working together during this time is important.



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We THANK YOU for your partnership in weathering this storm together!

With Hashem's help and blessings, we will be successful in providing our little ones with a safe and productive school year!