

COVID Guidelines at Preschool 2020-21 School Year

A Division of Chabad Lubavitch of Fort Lauderdale

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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

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- 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.

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 nontoxic, hospital-grade disinfectant.

MODIFIED HOURS & APPROVAL FOR ENTRY



- At this time, we are still working on a viable Early and After Care program.
- Our school program will be from 9:00am-2:45pm Monday-Friday
- All children will be screened at the start of the day.

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).
- Please wear a mask during carpool times. During pick up and drop off, staff will always be wearing masks.
- When dropping off or picking up your child at other times, please come through the gates and knock on the classroom door.

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.

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.

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.

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)	 Notify Shalom Preschool immediately. 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 10 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	 Notify Shalom Preschool immediately. Infected person and Close Contact Cases (classmates and teacher) will quarantine for 10 days. 	The one with COVID-19 and all Close Contacts in his pod will need to complete their quarantine, and test negative before returning to school.	All students and staff in the pod.
C. 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. <u>Working together during this time is important.</u>

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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!