

Neffs UCC Preschool Health and Safety Plan 2022-2023 SY

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The health and safety of our students and staff is our top priority. To this end, the preschool will institute additional mitigation measures based on guidelines from the CDC, the American Pediatric Association, as well as local and state health departments. The staff will work together to implement these measures and any updates will be sent to parents and available on our website. **These plans are subject to change at any time, based on the most recent legal mandates and data available.**

General Guidelines

RED PHASE- Local schools are directed to close for all in-person learning by either the district or the state government. If this occurs, the preschool will temporarily move to virtual learning until the board makes a decision on re-opening.

YELLOW PHASE- Neffs UCC Preschool will/will not close to in-person learning. The church will be consulted for additional guidance. Masks **may** be required when indoors.

GREEN PHASE- Neffs UCC Preschool is open for in-person learning. Updates will be communicated for any confirmed cases of COVID. If we reach **2** confirmed cases in a classroom within a week, the preschool will close for virtual learning and enhanced cleaning for a minimum of **5 days** and a maximum of two weeks, per episode. Closure will be limited to the cohort group in which the exposure occurred, depending on Health Department recommendations. Masks **may** be required when indoors based on community spread and classroom case counts.

Mitigation Strategies

- Only students and staff are allowed inside of the building except in the case of an emergency.
- **It is recommended, but not required for staff and students to wear a mask when in the building.**
- Keeping up to date on vaccinations, including vaccines to prevent COVID-19, is the best defenses to protect your child and his/her peers.

- When two classes of students are in the building at the same time, students will be divided into cohorts as much as possible to limit contact and minimize the spread of illness. There are exceptions when both classes will be in contact with each other such as recess, pick-up time, and lunch bunch.
- High-touch areas will be cleaned frequently throughout the day, and between cohort groups.
- Hand washing will occur before snack time, when coming in from the playground, after using the bathroom, and as needed.
- Students will use hand sanitizer when hand washing is not possible. A Hand sanitizer form must be signed by parents.

COVID-19 Screening Tool

In the last 24 hours, have you experience any of the following? If yes, stay home and contact the school, call your health care provider, and test as soon as possible.	
1 from this list	2 from this list
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fever of 100.4° or greater • Shortness of Breath or Trouble Breathing (for students with asthma, a change from breathing baseline) • New Loss of Taste or Smell • New or worsening dry cough (for students with chronic cough due to allergies or asthma, a change from coughing baseline) • Difficulty Breathing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chills* • Fatigue (Extreme) • Fever over 100.0°/ Shakes/Rigors * • Muscle or body aches • Headache (unusual or atypical) • Sore throat • Congestion or runny nose (new or sudden onset, any change or increase in chronic condition) • Nausea or vomiting * • Diarrhea* <p>*These alone are reason to stay home, but may not require a COVID test if only one symptom.</p>

What to do if your child is exposed to someone who tests positive or if he/she tests positive
<p>Exposed: No need to quarantine IF SYMPTOM FREE.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Return to school wearing a well-fitted (KN95 or N95) mask indoors AND outdoors for 10 days. Test on day 5, if positive, follow steps below. <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Students who cannot or will not wear a mask should continue to isolate for 10 days from time of exposure.
<p>Tests Positive or Develop Symptoms:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Consult the screening tool above. 2. Students who are vaccinated may return after 5 days with a negative test. Unvaccinated students may return after 10 days with a negative test. <p>If fever or major symptoms continue, stay home until 24 hours fever free without medication.</p>

***If your child develops a fever or symptoms of COVID he/she will be asked to wear a mask (school provided) if indoors, while waiting for emergency pick-up.**

Drop-off and Pick-Up Procedures

- Families will form a car line in the north lot for drop-off at the overhang by the double doors. Cars will line the perimeter of the lot, not blocking traffic, such that the cars face Route 873 when it is their turn.
- Upon pick-up, staff will place each child in the designated car, but families are required to pull into a parking spot to fasten car seats.
- If a family is late for drop-off, they will be asked to call 610-767-5327 to have a staff member come and get the child. If the child is in the downstairs classroom, the parent may be asked to move to the south lot.
- Pick up will occur via the same car line procedure as drop off unless a Remind text is sent out alerting you to a pick up in the Grove.