



# 2021 Summer Programs COVID Protocols



The following topics and procedures will be followed for all RAS summer 2021 programs including but not limited to Adventure Club, Summer Academy, Targeted Services, Credit Recovery, Extended School Year, Freedom School, and athletics. These apply to all visitors and staff working in the district during the summer.

Topic	Procedure
<p><b>Face Coverings</b></p> <p><a href="#">COVID-19 Prevention Guidance for Summer School</a></p> <p><a href="#">COVID-19 Prevention Guidance for Certified Child Care, Youth Programs, and Camps</a></p>	<p>Face coverings are required on buses due to federal guidelines from the CDC. The following three exemptions apply:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● A child under the age of 2 years;</li> <li>● A person with a disability who cannot wear a mask, or cannot safely wear a mask, because of the disability as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act (42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq.);</li> <li>● A person for whom wearing a mask would create a risk to workplace health, safety, or job duty as determined by the relevant workplace safety guidelines or federal regulations.</li> </ul> <p><b>It is strongly recommended that all people present in school buildings and district offices wear a face covering.</b> This recommendation is aligned with CDC’s guidance for fully vaccinated people in the CDC: Operational Strategy for K-12 Schools through Phased Prevention (<a href="http://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/operation-strategy.html#fully-vacc">www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/operation-strategy.html#fully-vacc</a>), which advises schools to continue this prevention strategy due to lower vaccination rates among youth between ages 12-15 and lack of eligibility for vaccination among youth under 12 years of age.</p> <p>Students and staff with symptoms of COVID-19 who are awaiting pick-up in the isolation room will be required to wear a mask.</p> <p>Robbinsdale Area Schools will maintain a supply of face coverings for students or staff who need them.</p>
<p><b>Physical Distancing</b></p>	<p>Whenever possible, Robbinsdale Area Schools will keep students</p>



<p><a href="#">COVID-19 Prevention Guidance for Summer School</a></p> <p><a href="#">COVID-19 Prevention Guidance for Certified Child Care, Youth Programs, and Camps</a></p>	<p>in cohorts with a recommendation of 3 feet between cohort members and 6 feet from other cohorts.</p>
<p><b>Contact Tracing</b></p> <p><a href="#">COVID-19 Prevention Guidance for Summer School</a></p> <p><a href="#">COVID-19 Prevention Guidance for Certified Child Care, Youth Programs, and Camps</a></p>	<p>Contact tracing will be completed by the school health staff for the site (if applicable) and each site’s leadership team. Teams will follow the MDH close contact guidance in <a href="#">Handling a Suspected or Confirmed Case of COVID-19: Information for Schools</a>.</p> <p>Seating charts will be required on transportation routes to aid in contact tracing whenever possible.</p> <p>Staff should keep track of attendance and use seating charts to support in the identification of close contacts.</p> <p>Close contacts are defined as ANY person who lives with someone who tests positive for COVID-19 or who has spent a total of 15 minutes or more in a 24-hour period within 6 feet of anyone who has COVID-19. The definition of a close contact applies regardless of whether either person was wearing a mask.</p> <p>Close contacts will be notified by each site’s COVID coordinators. They will be required to quarantine for either 7, 10, or 14 days.</p> <p>A 14-day quarantine will be required for people who live in the same household and are a contact of someone with COVID-19. The 14-day quarantine period starts the day after the person with COVID-19 completes their isolation period (usually 10 days from the day their symptoms started, or if they didn’t have symptoms, 10 days from the day they got tested. See: How Long to Stay Home (<a href="http://www.health.state.mn.us/diseases/coronavirus/sick.html#stayhome">www.health.state.mn.us/diseases/coronavirus/sick.html#stayhome</a>)).</p> <p>Students and staff who are exposed at school may have a</p>



	<p>shortened quarantine of 7 or 10 days.</p> <p>A shortened quarantine period may be considered if ALL of the following are true:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● The person has NOT had symptoms of COVID-19 during the quarantine period.</li> <li>● The person does NOT live with someone who has COVID-19.</li> <li>● The person does NOT live or work in a high-risk setting, including a long-term care or assisted living facility, correctional facility, shelter, or other congregate living facility.</li> <li>● The person does NOT work in a healthcare facility.</li> <li>● The person had a defined exposure, meaning a known exposure with a beginning and an end. Examples could be someone who was exposed:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ At school or a sporting activity.</li> <li>○ During a shift at work or while on break.</li> <li>○ At a social gathering or event, like a party or funeral.</li> <li>○ Note: For someone who is under quarantine after traveling outside of Minnesota for reasons other than crossing the border for work, study, medical care, or personal safety and security, the “exposure” period ends upon arrival back home.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>If and only if all of the above conditions are true, quarantine may be shortened to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 10 days without testing; or</li> <li>● Seven days with a PCR-negative test (not an antigen test or antibody/blood test) if the test occurred on day five after exposure or later.</li> </ul> <p>After stopping quarantine:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Wear a mask, stay 6 feet from others, wash hands, and avoid crowds or settings with people who are at risk of severe illness from COVID-19.</li> <li>● Watch for symptoms until 14 days after exposure. If any symptoms occur, isolate from others right away and get tested.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Handling Suspected</b></p>	<p>School health staff for the site (if applicable) and each site’s</p>



<p><b>or Confirmed Cases of COVID-19</b></p> <p>See Close Contacts and Tracing: COVID-19 (<a href="http://www.health.state.mn.us/diseases/coronavirus/close.html">www.health.state.mn.us/diseases/coronavirus/close.html</a>) and Quarantine Guidance for COVID-19 (<a href="https://www.health.state.mn.us/diseases/coronavirus/quarguide.pdf">https://www.health.state.mn.us/diseases/coronavirus/quarguide.pdf</a>) for more information about close contacts, exposure, when to get tested, and quarantine periods.</p> <p>See COVID-19: When to Return to Work (<a href="https://www.health.state.mn.us/diseases/coronavirus/returntowork.pdf">https://www.health.state.mn.us/diseases/coronavirus/returntowork.pdf</a>) for resources to provide to workers about returning to work.</p>	<p>leadership team will be the site’s COVID coordinators. They will work together to identify and communicate with staff, students, and families who may have been a close contact or exposed to someone who has COVID-19 or COVID-19 symptoms.</p> <p><i>Positive Case Reporting:</i></p> <p>Positive COVID cases will be reported to the Minnesota Department of Health through <a href="#">redcap submissions</a> by the following program contacts.</p> <p>Extended School Year, District Staff, &amp; Student Athletics: Candace Buckhardt Community Education: Mattie Melin Targeted Services &amp; Credit Recovery: David Dahl Achievement &amp; Integration: TBD</p> <p><i>Isolation of Symptomatic Students &amp; Staff:</i></p> <p>Each site will have an isolation room dedicated for children or staff who are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms. Individuals and any household members will be sent home as soon as possible. Symptomatic participants who are waiting to be picked up remain under the visual supervision of a staff member who is at least 6 feet away. Both the symptomatic participant and the supervising staff should wear a face covering or a surgical mask. Face coverings or surgical masks will not be placed on anyone who is unconscious or has trouble breathing, anyone who is incapacitated or otherwise unable to remove the face covering without assistance, or anyone who cannot tolerate a face covering due to developmental, medical, or behavioral health needs.</p> <p><i>Returning to School for Symptomatic Students &amp; Staff</i></p> <p>Symptomatic students and staff will be required to follow the guidance in the <a href="#">COVID-19 Decision Tree for People in Schools, Youth, and Child Care Programs</a> for determining when they can return to school.</p>
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<p>Student and staff COVID-19 testing</p> <p><a href="#">COVID Testing Options</a></p>	<p>Due to the low interest in COVID-19 testing during the school year from both students and staff, testing will not be offered during the summer.</p> <p>Staff and students will be provided testing resources if they are identified as close contacts and are encouraged to use existing testing options.</p>
<p>Meal time</p> <p><a href="#">COVID-19 Prevention Guidance for Summer School</a></p> <p><a href="#">COVID-19 Prevention Guidance for Certified Child Care, Youth Programs, and Camps</a></p>	<p>Whenever possible, participants will eat with their cohorts either in a classroom, in the cafeteria, or outdoors with a recommendation of 3 feet between participants and 6 feet between other cohorts.</p>
<p>Special areas</p> <p><a href="#">COVID-19 Prevention Guidance for Certified Child Care, Youth Programs, and Camps</a></p> <p><a href="#">COVID-19 Prevention Guidance for Summer School</a></p>	<p>Resources for music, sports, and other activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Review Recommendations for Music Activities and Performances During COVID-19 (<a href="http://www.health.state.mn.us/diseases/coronavirus/musicguide.pdf">www.health.state.mn.us/diseases/coronavirus/musicguide.pdf</a>) and the Music, Choir, and Performing Arts Teachers section of the CDC: Strategies for Protecting K-12 School Staff from COVID19 (<a href="http://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/k-12-staff.html">www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/k-12-staff.html</a>) for guidance on music and performing arts activities.</li> <li>● Review CDC: Considerations for Youth Sports Administrators (<a href="http://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/youth-sports.html">www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/youth-sports.html</a>) and CDC: Sports Program FAQs (<a href="http://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/youth-sports-faq.html">www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/youth-sports-faq.html</a>).</li> <li>● Review MDH's COVID-19 Prevention Guidance for Certified Child Care, Youth Programs, and Camps (<a href="http://www.health.state.mn.us/diseases/coronavirus/youthguide.pdf">www.health.state.mn.us/diseases/coronavirus/youthguide.pdf</a>) for guidance on operating other extracurricular activities</li> </ul>



Break rooms	Staff will be able to eat in break rooms. It is recommended that staff maintain six feet of distance between other staff.
Signing in and out of buildings	Staff will no longer be required to sign in and out of the buildings each day.