

SEATTLE PREP COVID POLICY 2022-2023

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Seattle Prep's Covid policy is informed by the WA state Department of Health guidelines for K-12 schools.

VACCINATION REQUIREMENTS

All students, school employees, and volunteers, are encouraged to provide proof that they are vaccinated or to provide proof of a medical exemption by uploading their documentation to their Magnus account.

Visitors may be asked to provide proof they are fully vaccinated or proof of a medical exemption by presenting their documentation when collecting their visitor's pass.

Seattle Prep strongly encourages all students, school employees volunteers and visitors to stay [up to date with their Covid vaccines.](#)

ISOLATION OF PEOPLE WITH COVID-LIKE SYMPTOMS

All students, school employees, and volunteers who have respiratory or gastrointestinal symptoms, such as cough, fever, sore throat, vomiting, or diarrhea, or other [symptoms of COVID-19](#), are required to stay home, and get tested for COVID-19. Individuals must test negative and upload their negative test result to their Magnus account before returning to Seattle Prep.

Molecular (PCR / NAAT), antigen, or at home tests are acceptable. Uploaded tests must include the tester's name and date.

To ensure safety, Seattle Prep will assume absences are symptom-related unless specifically informed otherwise.

All students, school employees, and volunteers who report or exhibit Covid-like symptoms while at school must immediately mask, isolate in the designated outdoor isolation area, and take a test. Students who test positive must go home. Parents and guardians should be prepared to pick up a student who tests positive immediately.

ISOLATION AFTER TESTING POSITIVE

All students, school employees, and volunteers who test positive for COVID-19 are required to isolate at home. The isolation period is 10 full days from the date of the positive test. The date of the positive test is day 0.

A person may return between days 6-10 if fever-free for 24 hours (without the use of fever reducing medication) and improved symptoms and can wear a well-fitting and high-quality mask.

A person may return unmasked with two consecutive negative antigen or at-home tests are taken and received on or after day 6 and are uploaded to the individual's Magnus account,

Testing beyond day 10 is not necessary.

NOTIFICATIONS OF POTENTIAL EXPOSURE

A weekly notice of a positive case on campus will be provided in the *Prep Post*.

Seattle Prep will notify employees, immunocompromised, medically fragile, and high-

risk students of any immediate potential exposure by updating this

 [DAILY EXPOSURE ALERT](#).

EXPOSURE PROTOCOLS

All students, school employees and volunteers who were potentially exposed to Covid are encouraged to:

1. Watch for symptoms, and
2. Wear a well-fitted mask for 10 days after the last date of exposure, especially during activities like high-risk indoor sports, performing arts, etc., and
3. Get tested 3-5 days after the last exposure with an antigen test. If the test is negative, retest with an antigen test 24-48 hours after the first negative test. If the second test is negative, but concerns exist for COVID-19, retest 24-48 hours after the second negative test, for a total of at least 3 tests.
4. At-home tests are acceptable. If an individual tests positive, they must isolate.

Exposed students, school employees and volunteers may continue to take part in all in-person instruction and care, including sports, performing arts, and other extracurricular activities, as long as they are not symptomatic. If an exposed individual develops symptoms, they are required to immediately isolate at home and follow protocol.

Individuals living with somebody who tests positive in the household must test daily before coming to campus and should wear a mask at school until 3-5 days after all members of household are past isolation dates. Please notify the Pandemic Coordinator (covid@seaprep.org) if you need more at home tests.

DUTY TO NOTIFY PREP

All students, school employees, and volunteers, must notify the Pandemic Coordinator (covid@seaprep.org) of any

1. Positive tests results and dates
2. Covid-like symptoms and dates
3. Negative tests that are required to return to school after isolation for symptoms or a positive test (days 6-10).

MITIGATION STRATEGIES

Seattle Prep may add and layer COVID-19 prevention strategies when COVID-19 Community Levels are high or the school is experiencing an outbreak, including:

- Universal indoor masking
- Screening testing before events and after breaks, before and after high-risk activities, such as sports and performing arts.

FREE TESTING

All students, school employees, and volunteers, may receive free take home tests on an as-needed basis from Seattle Prep. Please inquire of the Pandemic Coordinator or the Attendance Office.