

Providence Hebrew Day School

Reopening Plan 2020-2021

Responding to a Positive Case or Outbreak

All scenarios

A. Screening

1. Rabbi Scheinerman, dean, is the contact person for any work with RIDOH.
2. All parents and staff members will be informed regarding the need to stay home if they test positive for, have been exposed to, or have symptoms of Covid-19.
3. All students and staff will complete a daily screening at home before entering the building. Parents and staff will receive a copy of this screening tool in the school packet to use for this purpose. The form will also be posted at www.phdschool.org/covid19 in the event that parents need additional copies.
4. As of now, parents do not need to hand in the screening form. If a fillable web version becomes available, parents will have the option of completing the form online.
5. Visitors to the building will be asked to complete the screening – posted in the vestibule – before entering.

B. Symptoms that require staying home

1. If any staff member or student has any of the following symptoms, he or she may not come to school. The student or staff member must receive a negative Covid-19 test before returning to school. Having 1 of these symptoms designates the student or staff member as a ***probable case***:
 1. Cough (new)
 2. Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
 3. New loss of taste or smell
2. If any staff member or student has any of the following symptoms, he or she may not come to school. If the student or staff member has any **2** of these symptoms, he or she must receive a negative Covid-19 test before returning. **2 symptoms** designates the student or staff member as a ***probable case***. Any **1 symptom** by itself does ***not***, and the student or staff member may return to school once they have been fever free for 24 hours and/or symptoms have improved (back to usual health):
 1. Fever (100.4 or above)

2. Chills
 3. Muscle or body aches
 4. Headache
 5. Sore throat
 6. Fatigue
 7. Congestion or runny nose
 8. Nausea or vomiting
 9. Diarrhea
3. In the event that a staff member or student suffers from a chronic condition that causes one or more of the above symptoms, the administration, in consultation with the school's medical advisors, may issue an exception on a case by case basis. The family must submit proof in the form of a doctor's note.

C. Positive case or presumed positive case

1. If a student or staff member is considered a *probable case*, no action is taken while waiting for a test result.
2. If a student or staff member tests positive for COVID-19, he or she goes into isolation, and all household members and any *close contacts* go into quarantine, which, for household members, extends 14 days after the end of the infected person's isolation.
3. A close contact is defined in the state's Outbreak Response Playbook for K-12 as "Being within 6 feet of an infected person (with or without a face mask) for at least 15 minutes." The Outbreak Response Playbook can be found here: <https://health.ri.gov/publications/presentations/Outbreak-Response-Protocols-PreK-12.pdf> and a copy will also be available in the Front Office of PHDS for School use.

D. Symptoms that begin during the school day

1. If a student presents with any of the above symptoms after they arrive at school, the student will be immediately isolated and their parents will be called to come pick them up.
2. If a staff member presents with any of the above symptoms after they arrive at school, they will immediately call the office to arrange for a sub, leave the building and go home.