

## COVID-19 ADDENDUM 2022/2023

### COVID POLICIES

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\*Administration has the right to amend the handbook with pastor approval at any time\*

#### **INFORMATION COVID-19 Symptoms: Taken directly from the CDC:**

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/symptoms.html>

**Symptoms:** People with COVID-19 have had a wide range of symptoms reported - ranging from mild symptoms to severe illness. Symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus. People with these symptoms may have COVID-19:

- Fever or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

\*This list does not include all possible symptoms, per the CDC.

**Transmission:** COVID-19 is believed to spread mainly from person-to-person between people who are in close contact (within about 6 feet) with one another and through respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs or sneezes.

**Temperatures:** Please do not give your child any fever reducing medication before school. It is imperative to know a child's temperature **without** medication. Any child with temperatures above 100 degrees will be sent home.

#### **Communication regarding COVID-19 illness:**

Parents will inform the school nurse when:

- Their student has been exposed to, diagnosed with, or is exhibiting symptoms of COVID 19.
- Someone in their household or recent contact has been diagnosed with COVID-19 or has symptoms suspicious of COVID-19.
- Parents will work with the school nurse and state health department authorities regarding when the child can return to school.

**Returning to school after Covid illness:** Return will be determined via collaboration with current local health department guidelines. Current guidelines from the Ohio Department of Health are used.

**Illness Prevention:** Please model these hygiene practices with your children at home so they are prepared to practice them at school. Praise them for good habits!

**Handwashing:**

- Sing “Twinkle Twinkle Little Star” or “Happy Birthday” twice which is approximately 20 seconds
- Rub vigorously with soap and water to form suds getting all surfaces of the hands and fingers
- Dry hands with paper towel and turn faucet off with towel, place towel in garbage can.

**Respiratory etiquette:**

- Cover coughs and sneezes with tissue or elbow.
- If you cough or sneeze into your mask, put a new mask on and wash your hands.
- Put soiled mask in a bag in your backpack.
- **Don’t touch your face** (The T Zone-eyes/nose/mouth). If you must, use a tissue to wipe eyes or nose and then wash your hands or use hand sanitizer.

**Hand Sanitizer:**

- Hand sanitizer will be in every classroom.
- Students may bring their own but it's recommended that it is basic fragrance, not extra fragranced or highly scented products as these can trigger symptoms in highly allergic or asthmatic people.

**Cafeteria:**

- Hot lunch will be served until further notice.
- Snacks/ice cream/ milk/water will be sold.

