



Updated COVID-19 Policies and Procedures Effective June 30, 2022

As we look ahead to the 2022-2023 school year, we have taken the opportunity to revise and update some existing COVID-19 policies and procedures. As has been the case throughout the pandemic, the below policies and procedures may continue to evolve as the circumstances relative to COVID-19 remain unpredictable.

We appreciate your cooperation with the below and your understanding as we continue to navigate this situation.

Contact Tracing: Starting with ESY, Kingsway will no longer be contact tracing when there are positive cases of COVID-19 in the building. This means that individuals who are close contacts of positive cases will no longer be required to quarantine, regardless of vaccination status, as long as they remain symptom free. Kingsway will notify classrooms (staff and families) when notified of a positive case of COVID-19 in the classroom.

Positive Cases: In the event of a positive case of COVID-19, the individual who tests positive will still be required to remain out of school for at least five (5) days from symptom onset, or until symptoms resolve. Students who test positive should contact their Team Leader for further direction.

Symptomatic Individuals: Individuals with symptoms of COVID-19 will still be required to remain out of school until they receive a negative test result or alternative diagnosis from their healthcare provider. Symptomatic individuals without an alternative diagnosis who receive a negative at-home test will need to produce a negative PCR test to return to the building. Individuals who come to the building with symptoms or develop symptoms at school will be sent home. Students exhibiting symptoms should contact their Team Leader for further direction.

On-Site COVID-19 Testing: Unvaccinated staff will still be required to test weekly, as dictated by Executive Order 253. Kingsway will continue to provide opportunities for staff to satisfy this requirement on-site, and all staff and students will still have optional access to weekly testing at Kingsway. If you are interested in having your child tested regularly, please contact Erica Pitt.

Masking: Masking requirements will continue to be tied to local transmission rates in our region, as measured by the [COVID Activity Report](#), which is updated weekly. During periods of “high” or “very high” transmission, Kingsway will require all staff to mask and will recommend masking for

all students who are able. During periods of “low” or “moderate” transmission, masking will remain optional at Kingsway.

Air Circulation and Filtration: We continue to run our HVAC system in accordance with best practices to increase air flow and provide superior air filtration. This includes:

- Leaving external dampers open at 20% to allow for increased circulation of outside air into the building.
- Installation of MERV 13 air filters in all units to provide hospital-grade air filtration.

Cleaning and Sanitization: Our janitorial service continues to provide regular cleanings and is on call to provide sanitization services to specific areas of our building as needed.

Building “Zones:” We will no longer be limiting building access based on “zones.” This means that all staff and all students will have access to all areas of the building, including the gym, indoor sensory-motor area, cafeteria, and learning lobbies.

Vaccination status: Please share any updated COVID-19 vaccination records for your child with Erica Pitt.