

Lesley Ellis School

Summer Program

COVID-19 Policies and Procedures

****These policies and procedures will be updated as additional recommendations, information, and testing becomes available. Last updated: 6/2/2021**

The purpose for these policies and procedures is to mitigate the risk of contracting COVID-19 for everyone in the Lesley Ellis Community. Lesley Ellis School will follow guidance set forth by the Centers for Disease Control and the Massachusetts Department of Public Health. Policies will be reviewed and updated as necessary.

Before Coming to Camp

Each day before coming to camp, we ask you assess your child for the following symptoms and respond accordingly:

If your child has any of the following symptoms, your child must stay home and must have written documentation of a negative COVID-19 test and improvement of symptoms before returning to camp:

- Fever (a temperature of 100.0 or greater), chills, or shaking chills
- Difficulty breathing or shortness of breath
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Muscle aches or body aches
- Nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea

If your child's **ONLY** symptom is a cough:

- And is due to a known cause, such as chronic cough or asthma, and is his/her only symptom (with the exception of runny nose/nasal congestion caused by allergies), your child may come to camp.
- If your child's cough is **NOT** due to a chronic condition, he/she may not come to camp and must have a negative test result for active COVID-19 before returning to camp.

If your child has **ONE** of the following symptoms, he/she may come to camp:

- Fatigue
- Headache
- Nasal congestion or runny nose
- Nasal congestion or runny nose due to a known cause, (such as allergies rather than an illness) may come to camp, and does not count as a "symptom."

If your child has any of the symptoms listed in this section, please do not administer medications such as Tylenol or Motrin before sending your child to camp. These medications can mask other symptoms such as a fever and body aches.

If campers or staff members have traveled outside of the United States in the past 10 days, they must schedule a PCR test four days after returning to Massachusetts and send the negative results to the nurse prior to returning to camp. Anyone who has received the COVID vaccine and is two weeks out from their final vaccine does not need to get a negative PCR test after international travel. For individuals who have previously tested positive for COVID-19, please contact our nurse for specific guidelines.

Entering the Building

Only campers and faculty are allowed to enter the building. If any other person must enter the building for extenuating circumstances, they must attest to the above, in addition to wearing a mask and washing their hands upon entry.

Everyone entering the building will wash their hands. Campers and faculty must wear a face mask or covering upon entry.

Drop-Off and Pick-Up

Each camper will check in with a staff member upon arrival and will be visually and verbally screened for symptoms. We will not require a written attestation for COVID-19 symptoms.

Drop-Off:

1. Check in for verbal symptom screening
2. Parents will bring campers to their group (if outside)
3. Campers will wash or sanitize their hands

Cleaning and Disinfecting

Each day after camp is over, our cleaners will disinfect all objects used by campers and faculty members with the exception of natural materials.

We ask that you send your child to camp with limited personal items. We will send all personal items home each day to be cleaned.

Handwashing

Campers and staff will wash/sanitize their hands on a regular basis including but not limited to the following times:

- Upon entering the building/arrival to camp
- Before snack and lunch
- After using the bathroom
- Prior to leaving at the end of the day

Hands will primarily be washed with soap and water at the above times listed. Hand sanitizer will also be readily available to campers and staff. Campers are also welcome to bring their own hand sanitizer if families prefer to do so.

Physical Distancing

When outdoors, campers will not be required to maintain physical distance from one another. When indoors, campers and staff members will maintain a distance of 6 feet from one another when not wearing a mask (see below). Windows will be opened as often as possible (weather permitting) to encourage ventilation, and HEPA filters will be running at all times.

Signage and (when appropriate) dividers will be used to assist campers in physical distancing including in the classrooms, hallways, stairways, and bathrooms.

Masks/Face Coverings**

Masks are not required to be worn by campers and vaccinated staff members while outdoors. Unvaccinated staff members will continue to wear a mask while outdoors when physical distancing of at least 6 feet cannot be maintained.

Masks covering the mouth and nose will be worn by both campers and staff while indoors, with several exceptions below. During the times that masks are off indoors, children and staff will be spread at least 6 feet apart. Exceptions to wearing a mask are:

- When eating or drinking
- Designated mask breaks
- Nap/rest times for our younger campers

Campers and faculty are required to provide their own masks from home and should bring at least three back-up masks each day. Extra disposable masks will be available in the health office for emergency use.

Campers and staff should wear/bring clean masks each day.

Masks with valves, neck gaiters and bandanas are not allowed for mask/face coverings.

**If your child has a medical condition that does not allow for them to wear a mask or face covering, please notify our nurse and/or summer program director immediately.

Testing

There may be times during the summer when the camp will implement COVID testing for symptomatic campers and staff members.

Parents and guardians will be notified prior to testing and consent will be obtained.

Positive Cases of COVID-19 in the Lesley Ellis Community

In the event of a positive case of COVID-19 in our community, we will follow direct guidance from the Department of Public Health. Our goal is to remain transparent and to continue to provide updates to our community in order to keep everyone healthy and safe.

During the Camp Day Sick Plan

If a camper or staff member falls ill while at camp, the following will take place: 1. The individual will wear a face covering or mask, be separated from other campers, and will immediately be sent to the COVID-19 isolation room to be evaluated by the nurse.

2. Spaces visited by the ill individual will be cleaned and disinfected.
3. The nurse will evaluate the need for a rapid COVID-19 test and one will be performed if criteria is met. The individual will need to be picked up from camp.
4. If the test is positive:
 - Remain at home for at least 10 days and until at least 3 days have passed with no fever and there has been improvement in other symptoms
 - Monitor symptoms
 - Notify the nurse and personal close contacts
 - Answer the call from the local board of health or Massachusetts Community Tracing Collaborative to help identify close contacts to help them prevent transmission
 - Secure release from contact tracers (local board of health or Community Tracing Collaborative) for return to camp
5. Lesley Ellis Summer Program will notify the camp community if a camper or staff member tests positive for COVID-19.

Camper or Staff Member Symptomatic

- If at home, stay home and get tested
- If at camp, immediately go to the nurse, get evaluated for a possible rapid COVID-19 test, and go home.
 - Test result negative: return to camp once symptoms improve and clearance is received by the nurse.
 - Test result positive: quarantine for at least 10 days AND until at least 3 days have passed and no fever and improvement of other symptoms
 - If not getting tested: quarantine for 10 days.
- Alert the Lesley Ellis nurse of symptoms and testing status.

Camper or Staff Member Exposed to COVID-19 positive individual (close contact of a positive individual)

Quarantine after being identified as a close contact is as follows:

Strict quarantine: During this time period, you should remain at home, separate from other individuals.

The Lesley Ellis Summer Program nurse will work in collaboration with the individual's Board of Health to determine close contact status of an individual and will follow the specific guidance given by the Board of Health.