

Torah Tots/Tamim Covid Policy Update 10/14/2021

TT /Tamim has created a Medical Advisory Board to help guide decisions made by our administration going forward. We believe that the policies that we have had in place since the start of the pandemic have allowed our students to experience a normal school experience while keeping their health and safety as a priority. The social/emotional and cognitive development of our students is of utmost importance. Research is coming out showing that schools with a mask policy vs schools without one are both experiencing the same amount of Covid cases. Having children miss many days of school due to quarantine is also detrimental to their overall wellbeing not to mention the toll it takes on working or non-working parents as well. The following are the new protocols will be effective immediately based off Florida Surgeon General, Dr. Joseph A. Ladapo signed a new emergency rule.

1. Students or staff should stay home if they test positive for COVID-19 or have symptoms consistent with COVID-19:
 - a. they shall not attend school, school-sponsored activities, or be on school property until they receive a negative diagnostic COVID-19 test and do not have symptoms.
 - b. -or- ten days have passed since the onset of the symptoms or positive test result, and the person has had no fever for 24 hours and other symptoms are improving.
 - c. -or- written permission to return to school or work is issued by a licensed medical doctor, osteopathic physician, or an advanced registered nurse practitioner.

2. Students/Staff who are considered close contacts of positive COVID-19 individuals:
 - a. The parent or legal guardian can allow the student to attend school, school-sponsored activities, or be on school property without restrictions or disparate treatment, as long as the student shows no symptoms of COVID-19 and obtains a PCR or rapid test (home rapid test acceptable as well). Test results must be emailed to the school.
 - b. Should the student begin to show symptoms of COVID-19, they should then follow the guidelines as laid out for a positive case of COVID.

3. If an immediate family member who resides in the same household of the student tests positive, the student will be required to quarantine along with their family member for a minimum of 10 days and are allowed to return to school as long as they are symptom free and have a negative PCR or rapid test (home rapid test acceptable as well). Test results must be emailed to the school.

Parents will be notified of any Covid cases at the school and can opt to quarantine their children if they wish to. All virtual learning/zoom classes are suspended at this time.

