

FPNS COVID POLICIES & PROCEDURES

All First Pres Nursery School COVID-19 policies and procedures were developed based on information from the CDC and SCDHEC regarding these 4 actions: promoting behavior to reduce spread, maintaining healthy environments, maintaining healthy operations, and preparing for when someone becomes sick.

What are the enhanced health and safety procedures?

- More frequent hand washing
- Close monitoring of symptoms for children and staff
- Limiting number of people allowed to enter the classrooms, parents will drop off at the door of your child's classroom
- Increased sanitation and disinfecting of all shared spaces, items and toys used in each classroom
- Requiring any children or staff with respiratory illness symptoms to return home and stay home until they are symptom free and/or fever free for at least 72 hours.

Will the staff wear masks?

Staff are not required to wear masks. This decision will be left up to each individual.

What happens when someone tests positive for COVID-19?

- If a child tests positive, they must remain home for 10 days from the onset of symptoms and follow instructions from your primary physician.
- If a child tests positive, but is asymptomatic, they must remain home for 7 days and monitor symptoms.
- FPNS will notify parents of children in the facility that are determined to be in close contact
- All children and staff considered to be in close contact will be encouraged to monitor their symptoms and/or get tested.
- Families may use their discretion on whether or not to have their child tested. If you choose to be tested, the CDC suggests waiting 3-5 days after contact with the positive case to be tested.

When is it safe to return to FPNS?

- Children and staff who test positive and symptomatic are safe to return after 10 days from onset of symptoms. They should be fever free for 3 days (72 hours) and all symptoms have subsided before returning.
- Children and staff who test positive but *do not have* symptoms are safe to return after 7 days with no symptoms.

What are the financial implications if a class closing or school closing occurs?

- If a class must close in order to be cleaned and disinfected due to COVID-19, tuition *will not* be reimbursed for that closure.
- If the class closure extends past 2 days, tuition will be suspended and reimbursements will be made.
- If FPNS must close due to COVID-19 related circumstances, tuition for the duration of closure will be suspended and credits will be made.

Parents, please be on alert for signs of illness and keep your children home when they are sick and/or not acting like themselves.

*These policies and procedures are subject to change at any time during the 2021-2022 FPNS school year. *Updated 8/26/21*