

WALDORF SCHOOL ORANGE COUNTY

COVID-19 Health & Safety Protocols

August, 2020 Waldorf School of Orange County

Safety Is Our Priority



Although WSOC cannot prevent COVID-19 from entering our campus, we are employing safety precautions to mitigate the risk of spread and make on campus Enrichment and in-person School as physically, socially, and emotionally healthy and safe as possible for our students, faculty, and families.

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- On Campus Compliance Supervisor
- Daily Health Screening for all students and faculty via ParentSquare
- Staggered drop-off and pick up and use of multiple entrances/exits
- Cohorts some grades will be divided in stable, trackable, smaller pods when necessary and these cohorts will stay together to limit exposure
- Limiting exposure through:

* personal hygiene * small cohorts * face coverings * surface cleaning throughout the day * physical spacing * outdoor classrooms * increased ventilation * frequent disinfecting *

Safety Training



- Prior to returning to campus, all faculty and staff will go through training procedures specific to COVID-19.
- We will also require that all of our students go through age appropriate training with their teacher and our Compliance Supervisor.
- Parents will be sent a training video and our Compliance Supervisor will be available for questions and concerns.

Daily Health Screenings

- Daily screening procedures are required for all students and staff
- Families will be asked to check temperatures and screen for symptoms each morning at home prior to bringing their child to school, utilizing ParentSquare platform to complete the Screening Questionnaire
- ParentSquare will be monitored by our Compliance Supervisor to ensure completion of screening
- If screening is not completed, WSOC will have symptom checklists and no-touch thermometers to complete the screening, as necessary
- The Compliance Supervisor and faculty will conduct visual wellness checks throughout the day
- A child or staff member who is ill needs to remain at home.

Personal Hygiene

Additional hand washing stations have been added throughout our campus to provide opportunities and reminders for frequent and thorough hand washing. The HS has added 2 additional girls' bathroom stalls.

Students will be instructed to wash their hands for at least 20 seconds with soap and water at the following times:

- Before and after eating
- ✤ After coughing or sneezing
- ✤ After being outside
- Before and after using the restroom



Facial Coverings

- WSOC will follow California Department of Public Health (CDPH) guidance issued July 17, 2020
- All staff must wear facial coverings (i.e., face covering or shield), unless exempted
- Rising 3rd grade through 12th grade must wear face coverings, unless exempted
- 1st and 2nd grade students are strongly encouraged to wear cloth face coverings if they can be worn properly. A face shield is an acceptable alternative

Facial covering exemptions for faculty, staff and students are accepted per the CDPH Guidance For The Use of Face Coverings revised June 29, 2020 publication. A Physician's note of restriction (not condition) is required for a medical condition, mental health condition, or a disability exemption not to wear a face covering or shield.

COVID-19 Exposure

- The school administrator will be informed and will work with the Compliance Supervisor and the Orange County Healthcare Agency to implement next steps.
- The need for cleaning, partial closure, or complete closure of the school will be examined, per CDPH guidelines.
- The student or staff member who tested positive will be instructed to remain home and follow the guidance of their healthcare provider regarding treatment and isolation.
- The student or staff member will not be allowed to return to school until cleared by their healthcare provider and per the direction of CDPH and OCHCA guidance.
- Students or staff members who have been in close contact with a person diagnosed with COVID-19 will also be instructed to stay home and consult with their healthcare provider regarding further evaluation and/or isolation.
- School Administrator will directly communicate with school community via ParentSquare, our communication platform, while maintaining HIPAA and FERPA compliance.

On Campus Accommodations

If a student becomes ill during the hours on campus, the child will be isolated, monitored by our COVID Compliance Supervisor or a faculty member (who will be wearing appropriate personal protective equipment), and family will be contacted to pick up their child

Isolation area will be a comfortable, specifically-designated, and well-marked space. We will have three areas on our campus:

- Early Childhood room
- Lower school office
- High School office

Campus Closure

A decision for full school closure and transition to remote learning, following COVID-19 campus exposure, will be done in consultation with the OCHCA and per CDPH guidelines.



The more that we can safeguard the individual health of each member of our community, the greater chance we have for an "in-person" school experience this year.



We look forward to seeing you at our Town Hall Presentations Next Week!

Grade School Town Hall - August 19, 2020 at 6:00 pm

High School Town Hall - August 20, 2020 at 6:00 pm

