

# Little Chicks Learning Academy: COVID-19 Policies

## Fall 2022

### Health Screening

Attendees and staff members [who are experiencing symptoms of COVID 19](#), regardless of vaccination status or having COVID in the past 90 days, need to stay home. [Please reference this checklist if your child is experiencing symptoms.](#)

- Symptomatic individuals that have had COVID in the last 90 days may return if they have been fever free for 24 hours without fever-reducing medication and symptoms are improving.
- Symptomatic individuals who have not had COVID in the past 90 days may return if they have been fever free for 24 hours without fever-reducing medication, symptoms are improving, and they have tested negative for COVID 19.

### Quarantine for Close Contacts

In alignment with LCLA, DHS, and PHMDC, LCLA is no longer requiring asymptomatic close contacts to quarantine and be excluded from care.

#### Asymptomatic close contacts

- Able to mask
  - Monitor for symptoms. If symptomatic, quarantine and get tested.
  - Mask around others for 10 days since last exposure.
- Unable to mask
  - Monitor for symptoms. If symptomatic, quarantine and get tested.

#### Symptomatic close contacts

- Quarantine and get tested. If symptoms have subsided and they have been fever free (without fever-reducing medication) for 24 hours, return to care with a negative test. Individuals (2+) must continue to mask until 10 days after last exposure.

### Isolation for individuals who tested positive for COVID-19

LCLA will continue with our current practices for individuals who have tested positive for COVID.

#### Unable to mask (under 2):

- Return to care on day 10, if symptoms have subsided and they have been fever free (without fever-reducing medication) for 24 hours.

#### Able to mask (2+):

- Return to care on day 6 if symptoms have subsided and they have been fever free (without fever-reducing medication) for 24 hours. Masking is required through day 10.

### Vaccination

- LCLA requires staff to be vaccinated against COVID-19 and receive recommended boosters or submit a waiver, and receive an exemption by the deadline that is established by LCLA. Employees may be required to provide information or documentation to support a medical or religious waiver.
- Families are strongly encouraged to vaccinate their children, ages 6 months and older, against COVID.

### Masking

- Optional masking
  - In compliance with CDC guidance, we will return to masking for all attendees (2 years +), staff, and families when COVID levels are high in our community.
- Must mask
  - Children (2 +) and staff who are close contacts must mask for 10 days following last exposure.
  - Children (2 +) and staff who are COVID positive must mask for 10 days since positive test or symptom onset.