# **Covid-19 Action Plan**

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At International School for Peace, we understand that families are entrusting us with not only the education and socialization of their children, but also with their health, safety, and well-being. Our administration, teachers, staff, and families are doing our part to ensure the safety of everyone who enters our campus. Below is a list of what we are doing in the best interest of the community as a whole. ISP will continue to monitor the current pandemic situation and make updates to our policies as deemed appropriate or mandated.

#### What Administration is Doing:

- Employ Jani King, a professional cleaning service, who will clean our campus each evening M-F. When directed they may utilize a hospital grade method of disinfecting. In the event that a hospital grade method of disinfectant needs to be used, families will be notified. The same team will clean our classrooms each evening.
- Follow current CDC and PCHD guidelines and recommendations for fully vaccinated and unvaccinated individuals as it pertains to domestic and international air travel, isolation following close contact, and quarantine for a confirmed case.
- Ensure that anyone entering a classroom will be masked.
- Establish separate entry and exit points to the school to encourage directional traffic and decrease crowding.
- At this time, daily health checks will be limited to heath questions. Temperature checks may be reinstated should ISP see the need to do so.
- Apply ground markers to aid in distancing.
- Set up hand sanitizer stations around the ISP campus for use by students, families, and staff.
- Ensure only staff and essential persons have access to classrooms at this time.
- Ensure sufficient supplies of disinfectant, tissues, masks, hand sanitizer, working thermometers, and gloves are available at all times.
- Decrease the times in which a student may mix with another class or program.
- Establish an emergency plan if a staff member or student display Covid-like symptoms during school hours. Those determined to be ill will isolate from others.
- Ensure regular changing of air filters in all ISP buildings.

### What Staff is Doing:

- Wash hands upon arrival and frequently throughout the day.
- Promote, demonstrate, and reinforce healthy hygiene habits.
- Model and reinforce effective handwashing with soap and water for each child upon entry to the classroom, before/after eating, after using the bathroom, and at other times throughout the school day.
- Wear gloves to help children with toileting and while changing diapers.
- Wear food service gloves when handling food.
- Educate, support, and reinforce all children on wearing a mask indoors, including teaching children to remove and replace masks following eating and nap times.
- Keep separate all outer clothing, water bottles, and lunches.
- Ensure all children are 6 feet apart at meal times with their masks stored in individual containers. Classroom windows will be open. Eating will take place outdoor when weather permits.
- Design activities in the classroom environment that support physical distancing in respect to a play-based philosophy.
- Allow for families to participate in activities outside.

### What Families are Doing:

- Disclose to ISP director your child having close contact or a confirmed case of Covid-19.
   Thereafter, ISP will formulate a plan for your child to return to school.
- Notify director DeMers of your domestic and international travel plans. Current CDC travel guidelines will be followed which may include testing and quarantining.
- Practice physical distancing outside classrooms and adhere to ground markers.
- Limit your time on the campus during pick up and drop off.
- Adhere to established entry and exit points.
- Ensure that your child has two spare sets of clothing (appropriate for the season) in their cubby at all times.
- Support our commitment to having your child wear a mask while indoors. Provide your child with 2 masks and a labelled container at school.
- Provide the most current copy of your child's emergency information and immunization / exemption forms. This will include your child's complete Covid-19 vaccine record.
- Design activities in the classroom environment that support
   Monitor your child for the safe use of hand sanitizer.
  - Commit to staying abreast of school communication.
  - Contact the preschool office if your child is not attending for any reason.

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### What Administration is Doing:

- Educate our community:
  - Post signs to demonstrate proper handwashing.
  - Post signs to remind our community members to social distance.
  - Share community resources for assistance during Covid-19.
  - Make available current parent resources for helping children understand this pandemic.
  - Provide information to educate the community on the Covid-19 vaccine.
- Contact PCHD to report confirmed cases of Covid-19. Director will notify the ISP community of confirmed cases and contact those who may have had close contact with a confirmed case.
- Maintain and respect the confidentiality of those who have reported their confirmed case community at all times.
- Reserve the right to make decisions at their own discretion for the health & safety of everyone, which may include temporarily closing of the school, a classroom, or extended day program. Length of closure to be determined by ISP Advisory Board and recommendations of the PCHD & the Arizona Department of Health, Division of Child Care Licensing.
- Upon written request and within the allotted timeframe, ISP will grant a credit of 50% of the tuition for missed time due to quarantine, to be credited to the following month's tuition. You will receive a one-time invoice for your tuition. All other refunds are at the discretion of the director.

### What Staff is Doing:

- Wear a mask while indoors.
- Store a spare set of clothing on campus for personal use if needed.
- Post lesson plans and class happenings in the windows for family viewing.
- Clean and disinfect classroom toys frequently.
- Ensure availability of face masks, tissues, soap, paper towels, hand sanitizer, and family emergency contact information.
- Place nap mats 6 feet apart and position students head to toe. Children's bedding will be stored in individually labelled bins. Sheets will be laundered once a week or more often, if needed. Only essential bedding from home will be accepted.
- Present curriculum utilizing outdoor space as much as possible.
- Vaccinate.

### What Families are Doing:

 Please keep your child home if they are feeling ill, have a temperature, or are exhibiting symptoms of Covid-19 which may include but are not limited to:

Fever or chills Cough
Fatigue Headache
Sore throat Diarrhea
Shortness of breath/difficulty breathing
Muscle or body aches

New loss of taste or smell Congestion or runny nose

Nausea or vomiting

- Commit to keeping your child home until they are fever free without the use of a fever reducer and/or symptoms are diminishing. A doctor's note may be required.
- Understand personal items that support a child's sense of security, ability to transition, self-regulate, or calm down are considered essential. Please speak with the director about bringing these essential items to school.
- Use resources available to you on the preschool campus; we are here to support you in helping your child adjust to new norms.
- Ensure having a backup childcare plan in place should ISP need to temporarily close the school, a classroom, or extended day program.
- Vaccinate.