



Little Owl Learning Centre Covid Protocol

- The children will not need to wear masks because the cohort group is small
- My personal children will be at school during the day. When they come home from school, they will be changing their clothing and washing their hands as soon as they come home.

Entering and exiting

- At home before school, the parents will need to assess their children according to the symptoms of Covid 19 and take their temperature. If they answer yes to any of the questions then they will need to stay home. I will also make sure I do not have any symptoms.
- After November 2, 2020, the parents will be able to follow the new protocol from the AHS. One exception will still be with my policy stating that if a child have a fever or vomiting, they must stay home for 24 hours after they no longer have symptoms.
(<https://www.alberta.ca/covid-19-testing-in-alberta.aspx>)
- There will also be a sign posted at my doorway to remind people before they enter
(<https://open.alberta.ca/dataset/80c3fda3-7bd8-41c2-8724-c476c1b54a5b/resource/3361a555-ac22-47fc-9c42-90fc73ce5fee/download/covid-19-do-not-enter-poster-8.5x11-colour.pdf>)
- The adults will scan the QR code at the door to “sign in” their child and confirming that their child has none of the symptoms listed
- Parents will be asked to stay at the doorway when picking up or dropping off their children. If they need to come in for any reason then they will be asked to wear a mask
- The children will wash their hands (or use hand sanitizer) when they enter the building and before they leave
- We will all have frequent hand washing throughout the day

Cleaning and Sanitizing

- I will be cleaning and sanitizing the areas and equipment that they children play after they are finished.
- Other high use areas, such as doorknobs, will also be cleaned and disinfected throughout the day.
- For the students that have naps, I will take of the sheets, wash them and clean and sanitize the mats after each use.
- If I take out any stuffed animals or dress up clothing then they will be added to the load of laundry at the end of the day.
- Any toys that children put in their mouths will be put in a “Sanitize Bin” and cleaned and sanitized at the end of the day:
 - Wash with detergent and water

- Rinse with clean warm water
- Wipe, spray or immerse for 2 minutes in an approved disinfectant.
- Air dry
- I will have cleaning wipes, Pink Solution Cleaner and the recommended bleach solution recommended by Alberta Health Services. These will be stored out of reach of the children when not in use.
- We will not have any shared sensory bins. I will have individual sensory bins labeled for each child and change out what is inside each bin frequently
- If walking to a park nearby, the children will use hand sanitizer before and after playing on the equipment

Sickness

- If a child develops symptoms while at the preschool then he/she will be kept isolated in an area 2 meters away from the other children while waiting for pickup. (In an area marked off in the same room so I can still see and check up on them)
- I will wear a mask when in contact with the sick child. And wash my hands before and after contact with the child and anything they touch.
- All items used by the child as soon as they are picked up. Items that can not be disinfected (paper, books, cardboard) will be stored in a sealed container for 10 days
- If anybody in one of the cohorts is infected with Covid then the Preschool will need to be closed for 72 hours for cleaning
- Any child with a fever or vomiting must stay home until they are free from fever, fever suppressing medicines and vomiting for 48 hours.

COVID-19 INFORMATION

COVID-19 ALBERTA HEALTH DAILY CHECKLIST (FOR CHILDREN UNDER 18)

Overview

This checklist applies for all children, as well as all students who attend kindergarten to Grade 12, including high school students over 18. Children should be screened every day by completing this checklist before going to school, child care or other activities. Children may need a parent or guardian to assist them to complete this screening tool.

Screening Questions

1. Has the child:

(Choose any/all possible exposures)

Traveled outside Canada in the last 14 days? When entering or returning to Alberta from outside Canada, individuals are legally required to quarantine for 14 days unless enrolled in the Alberta COVID-19 International Border Pilot Project	YES	NO
Had close contact with a case of COVID-19 in the last 14 days? Face-to-face contact within 2 metres for 15 minutes or longer, or direct physical contact such as hugging	YES	NO
If the child answered "YES" to any of the above: <ul style="list-style-type: none">The child is required to quarantine for 14 days from the last day of exposure.<ul style="list-style-type: none">If the child is participating in the Alberta COVID-19 International Border Pilot Project, they must comply with the program restrictions at all times.If the child develops any symptoms, use the AHS Online Assessment Tool or call Health Link 811 to determine if testing is recommended. If the child answered "NO" to both of the above: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Proceed to question 2.		

2. Does the child have any new onset (or worsening) of the following core symptoms:

Fever Temperature of 38 degrees Celsius or higher	YES	NO
Cough Continuous, more than usual, not related to other known causes or conditions such as asthma	YES	NO
Shortness of breath Continuous, out of breath, unable to breathe deeply, not related to other known causes or conditions such as asthma	YES	NO
Loss of sense of smell or taste Not related to other known causes or conditions like allergies or neurological disorders	YES	NO
If the child answered "YES" to any symptom in question 2: <ul style="list-style-type: none">The child is to isolate for 10 days from onset of symptoms.Use the AHS Online Assessment Tool or call Health Link 811 to arrange for testing and to receive additional information on isolation. If the child answered "NO" to all of the symptoms in question 2: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Proceed to question 3.		

3. Does the child have any new onset (or worsening) of the following other symptoms:

Chills Without fever, not related to being outside in cold weather	YES	NO
Sore throat/painful swallowing Not related to other known causes/conditions, such as seasonal allergies or reflux	YES	NO
Runny nose/congestion Not related to other known causes/conditions, such as seasonal allergies or being outside in cold weather	YES	NO
Feeling unwell/fatigued Lack of energy, poor feeding in infants, not related to other known causes or conditions, such as depression, insomnia, thyroid dysfunction or sudden injury	YES	NO
Nausea, vomiting and/or diarrhea Not related to other known causes or conditions, such as anxiety, medication or irritable bowel syndrome	YES	NO
Unexplained loss of appetite Not related to other known causes or conditions, such as anxiety or medication	YES	NO
Muscle/joint aches Not related to other known causes or conditions, such as arthritis or injury	YES	NO
Headache Not related to other known causes or conditions, such as tension-type headaches or chronic migraines	YES	NO
Conjunctivitis (commonly known as pink eye)	YES	NO
<p>If the child answered "YES" to ONE symptom in question 3:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Keep your child home and monitor for 24 hours. If their symptom is improving after 24 hours, they can return to school and activities when they feel well enough to go. Testing is not necessary. If the symptom does not improve or worsens after 24 hours (or if additional symptoms emerge), use the AHS Online Assessment Tool or call Health Link 811 to check if testing is recommended. <p>If the child answered "YES" to TWO OR MORE symptoms in question 3:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Keep your child home. Use the AHS Online Assessment Tool or call Health Link 811 to determine if testing is recommended. Your child can return to school and activities once their symptoms go away as long as it has been at least 24 hours since their symptoms started. <p>If the child answered "NO" to all questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Your child may attend school, child care and/or other activities. 		

Please note: If your child is experiencing any symptoms from the lists above, do not bring them to visit a continuing care or acute care facility for 10 days from when symptoms started/until symptoms resolve (whichever is longer), unless they receive a negative COVID-19 test result and feel better.



Scan this only if you have successfully answered each Covid question and your child has been free from fever and vomiting for 24 hours before entry