**COVID FAQS (Updated 9/6/2020)**

**What do I do if my child is sick or sent home?**

Go to your primary doctor. (Bring a return to school form.)

Any nonspecific viral illness [ie. URI (cold), Gastroenteritis (stomach virus)] will require a negative covid swab (rapid or send out pcr) to return. Any specific proven alternative diagnosis (ie. strep) will not need a covid swab. In addition, return to school is 24 hours fever free with much improved symptoms.

A positive COVID swab will need to be reported immediately to Naaleh High School. Your child (and first degree contacts) will need to quarantine for the appropriate amount of time.

A Covid positive person will need to quarantine 10 days from the positive test with at

least 24 hours fever free prior to returning.

A first degree contact will need to quarantine a minimum of 14 days from the time last

exposed to the Covid positive person.

**What if a family member is sick?**

Student should stay home.

Family member should go to primary doctor.

If family member is told that they don’t have COVID (by swab or specific alternative diagnosis), then the asymptomatic student can immediately return.

If the family member is considered at risk for COVID, the student should remain home while awaiting the diagnosis of the family member.

**What if my child is exposed to COVID?**

Quarantine your child and let us know. We, your primary doctor and the Department of Health will help you determine the time frame of exposure and the necessary time frame for quarantine.

**What if my child travels to an area on the high-risk list?**

Quarantine your child and let us know.

**What if a family member travels to an area on the high- risk list? Can my child still attend school?**

The family member should quarantine away from the rest of the family. Student may still attend school.

**What if a family member is quarantined due to exposure to COVID? My child who attends Naaleh High School has not been exposed. Can my child that goes to Naaleh High School still attend?**

Yes, your child that is not exposed can still go to school. You should be careful to quarantine the family member who has been exposed away from all the non-exposed members.

**What if my child has a chronic diagnosis like seasonal allergies? Can my child go to school?**

Yes, your child can go to school. Seasonal allergies is a specific alternative diagnosis. We will just need specific documentation from your primary doctor. However, we would like you to be extra cautious and if at any point your child’s allergies is not quite running its usual course, please have your child stay home and seek further medical attention from your primary doctor.

**What if a family member is COVID positive?**

Quarantine and let us know. To help determine whether Naaleh High School has been affected, have your child even if asymptomatic tested 24-48 hours from the time that they had last been at school. Please let the school know the results immediately. This will determine if the school needs to quarantine.

If possible, quarantine the infected member away from the noninfected members of the household. If your child is not infected, monitor for symptoms. If at anytime your child develops symptoms, have him/her tested. If your child does not develop symptoms and you are unable to quarantine the positive household member from your Idea School Student, you may still choose to test the non-infected student again to help determine how long your child must stay quarantined.

**What if someone at Naaleh High School is positive?**

Naaleh High School is treating each grade as one cohort. If anyone in that grade is positive, the entire grade will be quarantined for 14 days from the last time exposed to the COVID positive individual.

**What if my child complains about wearing a mask? Or about any of the other social distancing guidelines at school?**

Explain to your child that there is no alternative to wearing an appropriately fitted 2-3 ply mask, and that he/she must follow all the guidelines set by the school. If it becomes an issue, please let us know and your child can choose to learn remotely.

**Why are the Idea School rules so strict? Do we really need to follow all the guidelines?**

Our goal is to keep the faculty, teachers, students and their family members safe. We also want to keep the school open in person for as long as we can. It is our duty to abide by the guidelines to their fullest in order to protect one another.

**Where are all these guidelines coming from?**

The New Jersey Yeshiva Day School Joint Medical Committee was created to help the Day Schools reopen, stay open, and stay safe. Each school has at least one medical representative on the committee. The guidelines are continuously revisited and adapted to accommodate the current COVID situation in our community.

For updates, please visit [njyeshivajmc.com](http://njyeshivajmc.com)*.*

The website will also include guidelines and recommendations on participation in outside of school events as well as testing centers.

**Do we need to be a part of the Yeshivah Contact Tracing?**

We strongly advise that you be a part of the Yeshivah contact tracing to help the community-at -large as we will be trying to figure out how to prevent the spread from one area/school to the next.