

Updated Mask Policy

As of March 28, masks will be optional for children and adults. We follow CDC guidance in encouraging all people who are high-risk or who are in regular contact with someone who is high-risk to wear a mask. We will support all families who request that their child continue to wear a mask at school.

- Please note that there will be mask requirements as part of our COVID exposure procedures.

COVID-19 Positive Case Protocols

Staff and children regardless of vaccination status

1. Notify the ECP ecpadmin@shalomaustin.org
2. Stay home for 5 days.
3. Test on day 5.
4. If you have no symptoms, and test negative, you can return to school on day 6.
5. Wear a mask while indoors around others for 5 additional days.
6. If you choose not to test, then you may return to school symptom-free after 10 days.

On-campus Exposure Protocols

Staff and children regardless of vaccination status

You will be notified if there is a COVID exposure that affects your child's class at school. If your child is asymptomatic, you may choose one of the following options.

Option 1 Test to return the next day (masked) AND test again on Day 5.

Your child must be asymptomatic, regardless of test result, to return to school.

Option 2 Quarantine at home AND test on or after Day 5 of exposure. Return to campus on Day 6.

Your child must be asymptomatic, regardless of test result, to return to school.

Option 3 Quarantine for 10 days and return on Day 11, without a test, if asymptomatic.

Household Exposure Protocols

For vaccinated students and staff

For unvaccinated students

1. Notify ECP at ecpadmin@shalomaustin.org.
2. Test to return the next day.
3. Wear a mask while indoors for 10 days.
4. Get tested on Day 5.
5. If you develop symptoms get tested and stay home.

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2. Stay home for 5 days and get tested on Day 5.
3. If asymptomatic, return to school on Day 6.
4. Wear a mask while indoors for 5 additional days.
5. If you develop symptoms get tested and stay home.

TESTING INSTRUCTIONS

Required for all COVID-19 exposures and positive cases

PCR tests are highly recommended. At home antigen tests may be used. (If you have a confirmed COVID-19 positive case within the past 10 days, you must use an antigen test.)

If as part of your protocol, you are required to test, you must follow the following procedures:

1. Get tested. You will need separate tests for each day as outlined above.
 - a. At home test – follow the instructions carefully.
On the test cartridge, write your child's full name, date of test, and name of classroom. Take a picture.
 - b. Go to a testing center.
2. Email results, with the required information, to ecpadmin@shalomaustin.org, at least 3 hours prior to returning to school.