



COVID-19 Policies & Procedures

If your child tests positive for COVID-19, they will be required to stay home for the minimum quarantine period of 5 days. **A negative COVID-19 test is required upon return to childcare.**

If your child exhibits any of the following symptoms while at preschool, a parent will be contacted immediately for pick up. Please note that we are required to contact the health department and licensing if any symptoms arise with your child.

COVID-19 Symptoms:

- Coughing
- Sneezing
- Sore throat
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fever
- Chills
- Muscle pain & Headache
- New loss of taste or smell

Center Disclaimer for COVID-19

KKCCLC is taking every reasonable precaution to limit our families' and staff's exposure to COVID-19 while on our premises. KKCCLC is following the Maryland State Department of Health and CDC guidelines by using reasonable mitigation strategies which include, but are not limited to:

- Separating sick children and/or employees
- Educating families and employees how to reduce the spread
- Proper building ventilation, filtration and humidity control
- Practicing proper hand hygiene

- Practicing proper respiratory hygiene
- Routine cleaning and disinfection

Persons Who Have Confirmed or Suspected COVID-19 (Isolation)

All persons who test positive for COVID-19 or have suspected COVID-19, regardless of vaccination status, should complete isolation as follows:

- Stay home for at least 5 full days from the date of symptom onset if symptomatic or the date of the positive test if no symptoms
- Day 1 is considered the first full day after symptoms started in symptomatic persons or the first full day after the person tested positive if asymptomatic.
- After Day 5, if the person has no symptoms or if symptoms are improved and they have had no fever for at least 24 hours without medication, they may return to school or childcare **IF** they wear a well-fitting mask when around others* for an additional 5 days.
- If the person is unable to wear a mask around others, they should remain at home for a full 10 days.

Persons Who Are Exposed to Someone with COVID-19 (Quarantine) The following recommendations apply to:

- Adults 18 years and older who have been boosted OR completed the primary series of Pfizer within the last 5 months or Moderna vaccine within the last 6 months OR completed the primary series of J&J vaccine within the last 2 months AND they have no symptoms;
- Children 5-17 years old who have completed the Pfizer vaccine series as recommended AND they have no symptoms; and
- Persons who had confirmed COVID-19 within the last 90 days (i.e. tested positive using a viral test).

These persons do not need to quarantine after exposure but should:

- Wear a well-fitting mask around others* for 10 days after the last close contact with the person with COVID-19 (Day 1 is considered the first full day after the date of last close contact)
- Get tested at least 5 days after the last close contact (persons who had confirmed COVID-19 within the last 90 days do not need to test). ○ If the person tests positive or develops symptoms they should stay home and follow recommendations for isolation above.
- If the person tests negative or is unable to get a test, they should continue to wear a well-fitting mask around others* for 10 days after the last close contact.

The following recommendations apply to:

- Persons of all ages who are unvaccinated; and
- Adults 18 years and older who have completed the primary series of Pfizer vaccine over 5 months ago or Moderna vaccine over 6 months ago and are not boosted OR completed the primary series of J&J over 2 months ago and are not boosted.

These persons should quarantine after exposure as follows:

- Stay home for at least 5 days after the last close contact with the person with COVID-19 (Day 1 is considered the first full day after the date of last close contact)
- If no symptoms, get tested at least 5 days after the last close contact. ○ If the person tests negative, they may return to school or childcare **IF** they wear a well-fitting mask when around others* until 10 days after their last close contact;
○ If the person tests positive, they should follow the recommendations for isolation above;
○ If the person is unable to get a test, they may return to school or childcare after Day 5 **IF** they wear a well-fitting mask when around others until 10 days after their last close contact.
- If the person develops symptoms they should get tested immediately and remain at home; if the test is positive, they should follow the recommendations for isolation above.
- If the person is unable to mask around others, they should remain at home for 10 days from the date of last close contact.

*NOTE: For people who are returning either from isolation (after a positive COVID19 test) or quarantine (after exposure), the recommendation is that masks may be removed only when eating and during naptime. Unmasked time should be minimized, and physical distancing and ventilation maximized during these times. People should not be participating in any other activities unmasked.

Kids Kingdom COVID-19 FAQ's

1. What should I do if my child has COVID-19 symptoms?

If your child has COVID-19 symptoms, your child should isolate at home until their symptoms improve and they have had no fever for at least 24 hours without medication.

2. If my child has symptoms and/or tests positive of COVID-19, when should I contact the school to inform them about my child?

Please call/email Kids Kingdom Childcare, as soon as you notice COVID-19 symptoms and communicate it with us right away. This helps us follow-up on contact tracing as we continue to prioritize the health of the children and staff.

You may contact the center using the following:

Center Phone: (301) 776-7722

Center email: kidskingdom.director@gmail.com

Procure App

3. If my child has COVID-19 symptoms and no fever, can they still attend childcare?

No, if your child has any symptoms of COVID-19 please make sure they are symptom free and return to childcare with a fitted mask.

4. When can my child return to childcare?

According to CDC state and MSDE regulation, children are allowed to return to childcare if they are symptom and fever free after the 5-day quarantine. Upon return, children 2 years and up must wear a well-fitted mask upon return. Children under the age of 2 years must be fever and symptom free, complete the 10-day quarantine and return to childcare with a negative COVID-19 result.

5. If my child has had contact with someone who has tested positive, but has no symptoms, can my child attend childcare?

If your child has no fever and is symptom free, your child can attend childcare.

6. Can my child attend childcare if someone at his/her household tests positive?

If your child lives with someone who has tested positive, your child will not be allowed to attend childcare.

7. When can my child return to childcare, if someone in his/her household has tested positive?

Your child can return to childcare if she/he is symptom free and if the person in your household is no longer having symptoms COVID-19. A negative COVID-19 test is required upon return.

8. When does my child need to wear a mask?

According to CDC state guidelines and MSDE regulation, all children 2 years of age and above need to wear a fitted mask in a childcare setting. The only times children are allowed to take off their mask is during naptime, meal-time and outdoor play time (when social distancing is possible).

9. Will I be refunded for my child's tuition cost, incase my child is quarantined/ the classroom closes?

If your child is quarantined/ isolated and cannot attend childcare, parent is responsible for the full tuition portion. However, if the health department has decided to close the center due to COVID-19 exposure, the center honor our parents with a 50% tuition discount.

Thank you for trusting us with the care of your little ones. If you have any questions or concerns regarding Kids Kingdom COVID-19 Policy, please do not hesitate to contact us at Kids Kingdom Childcare.