

COVID-19 Policy Summary - Olympic Nature Experience

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Measures currently in place by order of the Washington State Department of Health and the Clallam County Department of Health and Human Services:

Face Coverings

- Students and vaccinated staff are not required to wear face coverings/masks outside. However, masking is at the discretion of the staff at all times.
- Unvaccinated staff with religious or medical exemptions will be required to wear a surgical mask at school.
- We are fully supportive of all participants or staff who choose to wear a mask.
- All volunteers and parents at school ARE REQUIRED to wear face masks unless proof of vaccination has been submitted to our office in advance.

Physical Distancing

- 6 feet of distancing will be maintained at sedentary times like reading, drawing, and eating to the degree possible.
- Staff will continue to offer younger students developmentally appropriate nurturing touch and care.

Drop-off and Pick-Up Procedures

- Parents will wear masks at drop-off and pick-up. A verbal COVID-19 health screening is required from an adult guardian at the time of drop-off.

Symptoms of Illness

- Any student or staff who develops COVID-19-like symptoms at school must be isolated from others and sent home and either tested on site, get a test from a provider, or quarantine for 10 days.
- Students and staff presenting with COVID-19 symptoms will need to have improving symptoms, be fever free for 24 hours and either be tested prior to returning to school or quarantined for 10 days.
- Students and staff may return to school with minor lingering symptoms, provided they have met either the testing or quarantine requirement.
- Students who have been sick and come to school without submitting proof of testing or quarantine will be sent home or tested on site when possible.

Unvaccinated Household Members, Including Siblings

- If a student lives with an unvaccinated person (including siblings) and that person presents with symptoms of COVID-19, the student is excluded from school until that person has either tested negative for COVID-19 or quarantined for 10 days. In the case of quarantine with no test, the student would begin quarantine on the 10th day of the household member's quarantine. The student's quarantine would last an additional 7 days with a negative COVID-19 test or 10 days with no test.
- If a student lives with an unvaccinated person (including siblings) and that person tests positive for COVID-19, the student is excluded from school until that person has completed a 10-day quarantine AND THEN the student would begin a quarantine on the 10th day of the household member's quarantine. The student's quarantine would last 7 days with a negative COVID-19 test or 10 days with no test.

Testing Available at School

- Olympic Nature Experience will be able to provide some diagnostic testing based on staffing levels, test availability, and parent consent.
- Students or unvaccinated household members experiencing fever, vomiting, or diarrhea need to be tested by a healthcare provider.

Outside of School Travel Guidelines

- Our intention is to continue operating at full capacity throughout the school year, illness of any kind is a significant factor for closing classrooms. For Olympic Nature Experience, this means that families who travel with unvaccinated students and/or gather indoors with people outside your immediate household are required to quarantine for 7-10 days or receive negative test results 3-5 days post-gathering or air travel prior to returning to school. Exposure begins on the first day of gathering or return flight.

If you do not want to quarantine, you may test according to the following timelines:

- If gathering locally OR traveling by car, test 3 - 5 days from last new potential exposure at place of gathering.
 - For example, if your family gathers the Wednesday before Thanksgiving and spends the whole weekend together in Sequim and no one else joins the crowd indoors, then your latest exposure is that Wednesday. But if Aunt Joy comes on Saturday, then your last exposure is on Saturday.
 - Road trips are low-risk unless you attend an event or additional gathering on the way home, travel time in this case is not considered additional exposure.
- If traveling by air, test 3 - 5 days after the return flight.