

NEWBURYPORT MONTESSORI SCHOOL'S

COVID-19 PARENT INFORMATION

SOCIAL DISTANCING

It will not be possible to prevent children from coming in close contact with one another. Our goal is to limit the number of people in close contact and encourage physical distancing by arranging individual work areas and materials for each child in order to lower the risk of transmission.

Each class will include the same children and Teachers each session. Children will not interact with children from other classes.

All field trips and excursions are cancelled.

Parents/guardians and non-essential visitors are not permitted in the building. Child drop-off and pick-up will occur outside of the building or in designated entry areas.

Parents/guardians must wear a mask at pick-up and drop-off and stand 6 feet apart.

Teachers will have limited in-person contact with parents/guardians. Email will be used for communications regarding the child.

HAND HYGIENE

Proper hand hygiene will be performed by washing hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.

If soap and water are not available and hands are not visibly dirty, an alcohol-based hand sanitizer will be used.

Proper hand hygiene will be practiced upon entry to NMS and throughout the day.

All children will be supervised to ensure proper hand hygiene is being practiced.

OBJECTIVE

NMS plays a vital role in the lives of families. We provide children with a safe place to learn and play. Keeping children safe during COVID-19 is our utmost priority.

MASKS

Teachers and children will be encouraged but not required to wear masks while at NMS in accordance with EEC regulations.

CLEANING & DISINFECTING

In addition to our regular cleaning routines, frequently touched surfaces (doorknobs, materials, tables, chairs, etc.) will be cleaned throughout the day.

Cots will be disinfected after each use and bedding (provided by NMS) will be washed weekly.

DAILY SCREENING

Prior to dropping children at NMS parents/guardians must self-screen their children at home with online daily health checklist.

At morning drop off the teacher will confirm health checklist was completed. Late arrivals must call office for check-in.

Children with a temperature over 100.0 when taken at home will not be permitted to enter NMS.

PREVENTATIVE MEASURES

Children are not permitted to bring items from home to NMS. This includes toys, backpacks, bedding (blankets, sheets, pillows), etc.

The only items permitted to be brought from home by children are a daily lunch in a labeled lunch box, 1 change of clothing in a plastic zip-lock bag and

HEALTH

ILLNESS

If a child becomes ill while at NMS, the child will be immediately isolated from other individuals.

NMS will contact the parent/guardian to inform them of the child's illness and the child must be picked up within 30 minutes.

NMS will review its COVID-19 Illness Policy with the parent/guardian.

NMS will follow its COVID-19 Health Policy for confirmed cases of COVID-19 by contacting the Newburyport Board of health. This may include closing a classroom or NMS.

HEALTH QUESTIONS?

**Contact your child's physician
or
Newburyport Board of Health
978 465-4410**

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

Please make sure your child's Emergency Contact/Parental Consent Information is kept up-to-date.

CONCERNS & DAILY COMMUNICATION

Please call/email Tiffany at
978-462-7165 or
tiffany@newburyportmontessori.org.