Camp Beth El
Covid-19 Preparedness and Response Plan (Summer 2022)

As we prepare to kick off another fantastic summer of camp fun, Covid continues to play a role in our lives. Although the pandemic is not over, and our youngest children still do not have a vaccine available, we also recognize that things seem to be broadly getting better. With hopes that this summer will allow for a growing sense of normalcy, it remains important for all of us to acknowledge that some precautions are necessary in order to best protect our families, staff, and community – and that changes to our policies are always a possibility. We ask for continued patience and partnership, so that we can all enjoy a great summer together!

Standing policies for summer 2022 include:

- All staff must be fully vaccinated and have at least one booster (6 months after their 2nd shot).
- When children or families in our ECC travel, we encourage parents to follow the most updated guidance from the CDC, State of Michigan, and/or your personal physician.
- Masks are optional, but encouraged while inside, for our staff and for any student over 2. We maintain a selection of n95/kn95/kf94 masks on-site for anyone who needs them (as they have been proven to be more effective than cloth or surgical masks).
- We will NOT be utilizing a pod system this summer, meaning that there may be some mixing of classes during the day, and for extended care options.
- Parents will walk their children into their assigned classroom.

Symptoms:

- Both students and teachers must stay home if they exhibit even one symptom that has been identified as a marker for Covid including:
  - Fever higher than 100.4 or chills
  - Cough
  - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
  - Fatigue or Unusual behavior
  - Muscle or Body aches
  - Headache
  - New loss of taste or smell
  - Sore throat
  - Congestion or Runny Nose
  - Nausea or vomiting
  - Diarrhea
We recognize that this puts an additional burden on all of us, but it is necessary in order to keep our school functioning for everyone.
  - When someone stays home due to symptom(s), they will need a negative viral (rapid antigen or PCR) test – and to be symptom-free for 24 hours – before returning to school.
- If someone has a family member with symptoms, they should stay home until that person gets a negative Covid test (if positive, it would be treated as a household exposure).

Exposures:

(a) HOUSEHOLD EXPOSURE: If anyone (whether vaccinated or not) is living with someone who has Covid, they are required to stay home for a 5-day quarantine period – which begins as soon as the individual can be isolated from the positive case, or when the positive case no longer has
any symptoms. They may return to camp (if asymptomatic) after receiving a negative Covid test taken on day 5 after the start of their quarantine. And they must wear a well-fitting, non-cloth mask while inside through day 10 after their exposure began.

(b) OTHER EXPOSURE: If anyone (whether vaccinated or not) has a “confirmed exposure” to Covid outside the home, they do not need to quarantine at home unless they develop any Covid symptoms. If they do have symptoms, they may return to camp after being symptom-free for 24 hours and receiving a negative Covid test.

Infections:
- When someone tests positive for Covid, that individual must isolate for 5 days – starting with the positive test, or onset of symptoms (whichever came first). They can return to camp after the 5-day isolation, provided they (a) exhibit no symptoms, (b) stay distanced from others while eating/drinking, and (c) are able to properly wear a well-fitting, non-cloth mask while at camp through 10 days from original test/symptoms.
- Once someone recovers from Covid, they are NOT required to test or to quarantine for the next 90 days (unless they develop any symptoms – in which case they should get a Covid test ... if that test is positive, you should speak with your physician about clearing them to return to camp, and providing a note confirming that).

Please remember that we are all responsible for one another, and it has always been our policy for sick children to stay home. We request that every family take that seriously, and keep your child home from camp if they are displaying any symptoms – even if they are currently negative for Covid. Especially as we begin to move beyond this pandemic, we don’t want to spread any illnesses among our community. Although it can be a hardship when your child(ren) stay home for a few days, it will be much better for all of us in the long run.

I have read this Camp Beth El Covid-19 Preparedness and Response Plan and agree to follow all of its protocols in order to send my child to Camp Beth El for the summer of 2022.

Child’s Name: ______________________________________

Parent’s Name: ______________________________________

Parent’s Signature: ___________________________________  Date: _________