

FAQ: Newmark COVID-19 Safety Protocols – Revised June 22, 2022

<u>General</u>

Do we need to submit daily Health Screening?

Yes. Every morning during Extended School Year (ESY), you will receive an email and text reminder to complete your **Daily Wellness Screening Form** BEFORE 8:00 AM each morning. Please login to your Newmark PowerSchool/Unified Classroom Parent Portal to complete the Daily Wellness Screening (under "Forms"). <u>View</u> How To Access Daily Wellness-Screening Form.

• If your child doesn't feel well, DO NOT SEND THEM TO SCHOOL. We will send your child home and require that they get a COVID test before allowed back at school if they have COVID-like symptoms.

Mask Wearing and Close Contact Procedures:

At this time, mask wearing is optional for students and staff at Newmark. Masks will still be required for staff and students for the following reasons:

- A student or staff member is diagnosed with COVID 19 and will need to remain out of school for 5 full days and wear a KN95 mask for days 6-10 upon return to school.
- A student or staff member was exposed to COVID 19 and considered a close contact (i.e. household active COVID case or close contact exposure in or out of school), and MUST wear a KN95 mask in school for 5 days. They will also eat at a single table at lunch time. The NJ Department of Health recommends testing at Day 5 if they have no symptoms. If they have symptoms then testing should be done at the sign of initial symptoms.
- Newmark is NOT requiring testing unless your child has symptoms. The test results can be sent to Nurse Carroll at ecarroll@newmarkeducation.com or covid@newmarkeducation.com. If your child has symptoms, they should not attend school until the test results are confirmed and sent to Nurse Carroll.
- If any of the above occur, covid@newmarkeducation.com should be immediately contacted.

My child is fully vaccinated. Who do I contact at Newmark?

if your child is fully vaccinated, please send a copy of your child's Vaccination card to <u>covid@newmarkeducation.com</u> so their vaccination card on file with the nurse can be updated. If you have already sent your child's vaccine card to Newmark, there is no need to send again.

If Your Child Has COVID

If your child has COVID, they will be required to quarantine from school for 5 full days. They will be eligible for LIVE remote learning during that time. When they return, they MUST be symptom free and they will be required to wear a KN95 mask for days 6-10 or their 10th day from a positive test.

If Your Child Has Been Exposed to COVID

If your child is a close contact exposure (especially if contact is a household member), your child can come to school but is required to wear a KN95 mask at Newmark for 5 full days after exposure. They will also eat at a single table at lunch time. The NJ Department of Health recommends testing at Day 5 if they have no symptoms. If they have symptoms then testing should be done at the sign of initial symptoms.



Does my child need to quarantine if our family travels domestically or internationally?

If your child travels outside of the tristate area for more than 48 hours, please contact Nurse Carroll at <u>ecarroll@newmarkeducation.com</u> or <u>covid@newmarkeducation.com</u> to review in school protocols. For any student who may be subject to unknown COVID -19 exposure because of travel, they will be required to wear a mask at school.

Should students, staff or others who have been tested for COVID-19 attend or visit school while they await test results?

Anyone who is sick should stay home from school. Anyone who suspects they are ill and received a COVID-19 test should **NOT** attend or visit school while awaiting test results. Should the test result be negative, they should follow normal illness exclusion rules (typically 24 hours without fever and/or the use of fever reducing medication before they can return to school). If a clinician has a suspicion that the illness may be COVID-19 despite a negative test, they should follow general guidance related to COVID-19 quarantine.

Is there a specific place at Newmark to isolate students or staff who show symptoms of COVID-19?

Newmark has designated two spaces where persons with COVID-19 symptoms can be separated from other students and staff while they wait to be picked up from school.

If a student who has been at Newmark is identified as having COVID, does the entire class have to quarantine?

The local health department, in coordination with Newmark, will assess the specific circumstances of the individual with the positive test to determine those individuals that have been in close contact and need to self-quarantine – this may or may not include all students in the class.

If a student is unable to attend school based on COVID positive test, are they able attend their classes via Remote Instruction?

Remote Instruction is <u>ONLY</u> available for students who have tested positive or live with someone who has tested positive and they need to quarantine. Parents must email <u>covid@newmarkeducation.com</u> with information in regards to COVID exposure for Live Remote instruction to begin. Students who have to quarantine due to travel or anything non contact tracing-related are NOT eligible for Remote Instruction but will be provided with school work at home and their Homeroom teacher will provide periodic check ins.

Contact Tracing Responsibilities and Procedures

Which entity should serve as a health and safety contact if Newmark has questions?

The primary contact at Newmark is our local health department. Newmark's school nurse and team will contact trace as needed.

Social Distancing

What are the social distancing requirements at Newmark?

At Newmark all desks in classrooms are equidistant apart. Classroom desks will remain distanced and students will continue to eat lunch in groups of two in the cafe.

Is Newmark's facility open to outside events?



Newmark will continue to limit outside events to small groups.

Are visitors allowed at Newmark?

At this time, Newmark is allowing minimum visitors into the building.

How many students are allowed in common areas at one time?

Common areas include the bathroom and lunchroom. Only two students will be allowed in the bathroom at one time and will be escorted by staff and their time will be logged in. Elementary Middle and High School students are assigned to use separate bathrooms. In the lunchroom no more than 45 students will eat at one time and all students will be separated by tables and plexiglass dividers.

Will the classroom windows will be open during the school day?

Yes, our teachers will open windows daily. Our HVAC system filters will be changed regularly and have been upgraded.

COVID-19 Questions: Email <u>covid@newmarkeducation.com</u>

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