A Crew Approach to Health & Safety

Welcome Back to School!

August 2021
A crew approach to health and safety means we will all do our part in following health guidance and taking steps to keep each other safe.
Our Buildings and Staff Our Staff Are Ready!

• Two Rivers’ buildings are equipped with:
  • MERV-13 filters and bipolar ionization air filtration systems.

• Two Rivers has hired additional staff:
  • New student support counselors, assistant principals of culture, student and family empowerment coordinator, campus directors of special education and additional specials teachers.

Together we will layer mask wearing, physical distancing, cleaning, testing, and vaccination to protect our crew’s health.
Mask Wearing
Mask Wearing Essentials

• To be effective, masks must be worn correctly.
• Masks should be 2-3 layers of tightly woven fabric, cover the nose and mouth, and fit snugly against the sides of the face.
• Pack multiple face masks (3+) for your child each day.
• Two Rivers will also have extra masks on hand.
• Only times that masks will not be worn: eating, drinking, and outdoors (with no close contact)
Physical Distancing
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• Desks will be physically distanced and students will maintain a minimum of 3 feet in classrooms.

• To the extent feasible, 6 feet of spacing will be maintained between adults and students.

• Students will nap and eat lunch at 6 feet of distance during periods of substantial community spread.

• Student cohort interactions will be limited to the extent feasible, particularly at the elementary level.
Cleaning and Sanitizing
Sanitary Spaces

• Daytime cleaning staff ensure high touch surfaces and high occupancy spaces are cleaned and disinfected multiple times per day.
• All spaces in use are cleaned and disinfected nightly.
• The Clorox Total 360 Electrostatic System will be used to deep clean in the event that any illness or exposure is reported on site.

Clean Hands

• Hand washing will be built into classroom practices.
• Practice hand-washing at home with your child and explain why it's important to wash his or her hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially before and after eating, coughing/sneezing, or adjusting a face mask.
COVID-19 Testing
Asymptomatic Testing

• COVID-19 Testing at Two Rivers will be done with a saliva test.
• 1-1.5mL of saliva will be collected in a small test tube.
• Asymptomatic testing will be conducted by our experienced testing vendor, ShieldT3.
Asymptomatic Testing

• 10-20% random sample of students weekly
• All unvaccinated staff weekly
• All students must provide consent to participate

Symptomatic Testing

• Available to all students and staff, regardless of vaccination status, who exhibit symptoms of COVID-19 while in school and have signed consent on file

- Results available to families and staff via secure portal in average 6-8 hours
- School leaders also notified of any positive cases to facilitate communication with family, close contacts, and DC Health.
Testing Consent

• All families should complete the consent for as soon as possible --- check your email or ParentSquare to find the form.

• You can submit the form by emailing your signed copy to medical@tworiverspcs.org or bring it during drop off on the first day of school.

• Blank paper forms are also available upon request from your school.
Vaccination
We strongly encourage all eligible students and families to receive the COVID-19 vaccine.

• Vaccination is a critical layer in reducing spread and protecting against the worst COVID outcomes.
• All Two Rivers staff are required to receive the vaccine or submit to weekly testing.
• Nearly 90% of staff (and growing) are vaccinated.
Additional Guidance
Arrival & Dismissal
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• Families are not allowed to enter the building for student drop-off and pick up
• Elementary schools and the Middle School will have staggered arrival times. Young and 4th Street ES arrival will start at 8:15am and Middle School arrival will start at 8:00am.
• Schools will share more about your specific arrival and dismissal process.
Daily Screening
Families must use the ParentSquare app to complete a health screener daily!

- Before entering a Two Rivers building, we all must fill out an online health screening questionnaire at home using Parentsquare.
- An on-site screening station will be set-up for any student, family member, or staff person who has not completed the screening prior to arrival.

Visit parentsquare.com/signin to get started or QR codes on the next slide!
DOWNLOAD PARENTSQUARE!

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AND DON'T FORGET TO COMPLETE YOUR DAILY HEALTH SCREENER!
Staying Home When Sick
Students should stay home when....

• Presenting **ONE** of these red flag symptoms:
  • Fever (measured or subjective)
  • New or worsening cough
  • Shortness of breath/difficulty breathing
  • New loss of taste or smell

OR at least **TWO** of the following symptoms:

  • Chills
  • Muscle or body aches
  • Headache
  • Sore throat
  • An unusual amount of tiredness
  • Nausea or vomiting
  • Runny nose or congestion
  • Diarrhea
Quarantine After Travel
Travel outside of the DMV should be minimized to avoid disruption and risk

- Unvaccinated individuals who travel outside of the DC-Maryland-Virginia area should self-quarantine upon return.
- Three to five days after returning, individuals should get a COVID-19 test. If the test is negative, the self-quarantine can end after the seventh day.
- If no test is performed, unvaccinated individuals should self-quarantine for 10 days.
Confirmed COVID-19 Cases
Any student or adult who tests positive for COVID-19....

- **Should NOT attend** school
- **Should inform** their school’s COVID-19 point of contact or a teacher or staff person they feel comfortable with
- **Should isolate for at least ten days** and show improvement of symptoms, including no fever for 24hrs.
Guidance for Close Contacts

• If an unvaccinated student or staff member is a close contact to someone who tests positive for COVID-19, they will be required to quarantine for at least 7 days.
  • Students and staff may return to the classroom after 7 days if they take a COVID-19 test on or after day 5 and receive a negative result.
  • Students and staff who do not take a test must quarantine for 10 days.

• Vaccinated students and staff who are in close contact to someone who tests positive for COVID-19 do not need to quarantine if they are not showing symptoms but are recommended to take a test between 3 and 5 days after they are exposed.
Guidance for Close Contacts

• Based on the latest guidance from DC Health, a student in a school setting is considered a close contact if they are within 6 feet of an infected person for more than 15 minutes within a 24-hour window within 2 days prior to illness onset or positive test result.

• Per CDC and DC Health guidance, students in grades preschool and above are NOT considered close contacts if they are within 3-6 feet of a fellow infected student if:
  • Both students are consistently wearing well-fitting masks, and
  • Other mitigating factors are in place (physical distancing, increased ventilation, etc.)
Students Unable to Learn In-Person

• The Mayor has required all DC public school students to learn in-person this year, but has provided an exemption for students who are medically certified by their doctor as unable to attend in person due to a relevant health condition. Check your Back to School Welcome Packet for more info and next steps.

Students Quarantining

• Please sign your child’s tech agreement in ParentSquare! Two Rivers will issue a device to all students in need in the event that they need to quarantine and learn from home.
• Two Rivers will use Google Classroom and other remote learning tools to support continuity of learning during quarantines.
Remote Learning
We look forward to a wonderful year together!

Have questions? Families can submit questions at bit.ly/TRFamilyQs or reach out to their school. We anticipating sharing a Family FAQ as we receive questions from families.