

COVID Regulations at GISW

as of September 12, 2023

In case someone in your household tests positive for COVID, please call the Health Room at 301-767-3814.

If you develop symptoms or had contact, please take a COVID test and wear a mask for a few days to protect those around you.

We advise the members of our school community to get COVID vaccinations, however, there is no longer a mandatory vaccination requirement at GISW.

In case of a positive test result:

Group	Isolation	Return to school	Mask	Specific measures
Preschoolers	Stay home until a covid test comes back negative	Once your child has a negative test result and feels well. Before returning to preschool, please come a test to the Health Room to get tested. If also negative, your child can stay in school.	Return to school without a mask	No specific measures
Students SEL and older	Isolation until day 5, included. (If negative before day 5, testing out of isolation is possible under specific circumstances*)	From day 6, once free of fever and with improved symptoms	Mask until day 10 (If negative before day 10, testing out of mask mandate is possible under specific circumstances*)	While COVID positive:

* Testing out of isolation/out of mask wearing: In case a student or staff member tests negative at home before day 5 of isolation/10 days of mask mandate (e.g., with a mild case of COVID or because the infection was discovered late) please bring a new test to school and test again at the Health Room. If this test comes back negative as well, the student or staff member may return to school on that day and the mask mandate and specific measures will be ended

Day 0 is the first day that symptoms are noticed, or a test comes back positive.

Mask: a KN95 mask; the GISW Health Room will continue to offer masks for incidental use during the school day.

In case of contact to someone with COVID:

One-time contact	Please test after 3-6 days and if you develop symptoms	We recommend wearing a mask for a few days.
Contact within your family	Please try to isolate the patient as much as possible. Take a test in the morning at home for as long as there is a family member in the household who is still testing positive.	We ask that a mask is worn on the bus and in school to protect those around you.