

July 9, 2021

Dear ECEC Families,

The Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community announced an updated Return-to-Work Plan that is now in Phase 3, which means we can welcome families back onto the Early Childhood Education Center campus, so long as everyone follows the updated protocols outlined below. These protocols will help ensure children, families, and staff remain safe and healthy. We are excited to have families back on campus!

ECEC COVID-19 PROTOCOLS

If your child has tested positive for COVID-19 or has been exposed to someone who tested positive, please notify ECE Leader Tami Brungard, who is the ECEC's designated COVID-19 contact, at 480-362-2202.

If there is a confirmed incident of an individual testing positive for COVID-19 at the ECEC, a notification will be sent to all families and staff; **please make sure we have your updated contact information on file**. Staff and children who may have had close contact with the test-positive individual will receive an additional notification with specific instructions from the Community epidemiologist.

Families and children will be asked specific health-related questions and have their temperature checked at the ECEC. However, we ask that **families please conduct a daily COVID-19 symptom and exposure check before coming to school.** Has your child had any of the symptoms listed below that are NEW or DIFFERENT from usual?

- Fever (100.0+)
- Cough
- Severe headache
- Sore throat
- Difficulty breathing
- Loss of taste or smell that started in the last 10 days. (Children may say food tastes bad or funny.)
- Vomiting or diarrhea

If your child DOES have any of the symptoms listed above:

- Keep them home from school.
- Contact your child's doctor.
- Contact the ECEC Attendance Line and let us know your child is sick and staying home from school.

MASKS: Children are not required to wear masks while in school. Families who prefer their child to wear a mask must make the request with the teacher. Teaching staff will assist children with wearing a mask throughout the day. Adults will wear a mask at all times when in contact with others.

Child Drop-off/Pick-up

- Before entering the ECEC lobby, adult family members should utilize the handwashing or hand sanitizer stations.
- Families will check children in and out with paper tickets using the finger-touch pad on the ProCare machines in the ECEC lobby or will need to acquire a handwritten paper ticket from the front desk.
- Family members who will be dropping off and/or picking up children on a regular basis should be registered in the ProCare system.

Campus Cleaning Schedule

Classroom staff will continue to follow a regular cleaning schedule within their classrooms. In addition, teaching staff will sanitize door knobs, countertops, tables, and other high-touch surfaces throughout the day. Offices and facilities will be cleaned and sanitized by SRPMIC Public Works.

Handwashing

Teaching staff will monitor handwashing in the classroom. ECEC will continue to follow current handwashing protocols in and out of the classroom.

For more information, please visit ECEC.SaltRiverSchools.org.

Sincerely,

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