

# PANDEMIC POLICY CHANGES DUE TO COVID – 7/9/2021

**\*\*\*CPDC is accepting children with the assurance that families and staff will all do their due diligence to help us all stay safe and follow guidelines and best practices to limit contact and spread. We need everyone's help to remain open. We open with the understanding that the likelihood is high that we will shut down at some point due to cases of COVID-19 in the center. We need all families and staff to do as much as possible to keep us all safe.\*\*\***

*For pandemics or national emergencies, like the recent Covid-19 outbreak, CPDC will use due diligence to follow state, local, and federal recommendations. CPDC monitors recommendations specifically from the University/IHL, CDC, MS Department of Health and Human Services (for certificates/emergency care), and MS Department of Health (licensure). Parents must assume some of the risk of exposure for allowing children in the care of CPDC during any outbreak or period of disease or sickness.*

Until we are allowed to drop back to our normal pre-pandemic precautionary measures, CPDC will institute a series of stages depending on the regional and area spread. It is important to note that there is no widespread vaccination for our age of children served and no mandate for vaccinations in care providers.

**We plan to start August 2, 2021 on GREEN LEVEL.** Based on family, children, and staff compliance and community spread or safety concerns, CPDC may move to different levels.

**GREEN LEVEL** - When minimal spread is in the community:

1. Parents will be allowed in the building and shall remain outside the classroom door when children are present. Parents will **NOT enter the classroom** and will wait at the classroom door for CPDC staff to deliver your child.
2. Parents will be responsible for temperature checks, answering COVID-19 screening questions, handwashing, and signing in on arrival using paper and Brightwheel at the CPDC sign in station.
3. MASKS: Classrooms are considered a safe place where children can go maskless. Masks will be asked to be worn in communal or shared spaces (hallways) or group indoor gathering where children are mixed with other classes. Example – if we have a special reader or visitor, children may be combined in a mixed group together in one room and will be expected to wear a mask. Children are not required to wear masks indoors or outdoors. However, parents may use personal preference on masking their children. We are hopeful that allowing children to go without masks in their classrooms may help with social emotional behaviors, communication, and articulation.
4. Any teaching staff and MUW student or CPDC parent and/or visitor is encouraged to vaccinate. Unvaccinated adults, including any CPDC teaching staff and/or interns and visitors, are recommended and strongly encouraged to wear masks at all times in the building. Vaccinated adults will use personal preference with masking. Any teacher within their own classroom is not expected to wear a mask if vaccinated. However, when an unvaccinated teacher or other adult or child enters another classroom or communal space, masks are expected.
5. CPDC will continue to monitor and check temperatures throughout the day.
6. Parents will be allowed to come into the building for afternoon pickup. Parents are **not** allowed in the classroom spaces. Parents should message through the app Brightwheel to notify staff of pickup time before entering the building. Additionally, parents should arrange conferences and meeting times with staff through brightwheel so we can make sure all classes have coverage for any meetings. Parents are to be efficient and in and out of the building quickly. Drop off and pickup is NOT the time to meet with your teacher.
7. Parents are to socially distance themselves from other families, children, and staff if they do not wear a mask.
8. Outside visitors and programs can continue with director approval with safety as a priority.
9. If families are uncomfortable with coming in the building or potentially being around unvaccinated populations, please message us in Brightwheel and we will bring your child to your car outside of the center.

**YELLOW LEVEL** - When there is a higher transmission or as advised by licensure or other governing agencies:

1. Parents will not be allowed inside the building without specific reason, screening, and approvals.
2. Parents are to message CPDC through Brightwheel when in the circle for pick up/drop off and a staff will deliver children to the main CPDC door.
3. Temperature checks of children will be conducted each day by staff before a child may enter the building.
4. Screening questions will be asked each day for families.
5. All teachers will wear face masks indoors and children will be encouraged to wear facemasks unless outside or during nap time. CDC recommends masks for all children over age 2, and CPDC will strongly encourage masks for preschool children.
6. Outside visitors and programs can continue outdoors with formal campus approvals with safety as a priority.

**RED LEVEL** - When there is active spread within the CPDC or immediate families:

1. CPDC may close down classrooms or the entire CPDC center.

2. In the event of spread, CPDC does not have depth to call in additional reinforcements to cover classrooms that are closed if the teachers are required to quarantine. Please remember, because there is no vaccination with our age group of children the best and safest practice is still to quarantine for 14 days. We realize this is inconvenient. Please plan now.
3. Parents will not be allowed inside the building.
4. Parents should wear masks outside of the center during drop off/pickup of open classrooms.
5. All teachers will wear face masks indoors and children will be encouraged to wear facemasks unless outside or during nap time. CDC recommends masks for all children over age 2, and CPDC will strongly encourage masks for all preschool children.
6. All outside events and specials are canceled.

## AT ALL TIMES:

1. The primary parent is responsible for notifying every pick-up person of the policies and procedures and ensuring they comply with all policies.
2. Morning drop-off is only permitted between 7:30-8:30 AM unless proof of necessary appointments.
3. If a parent believes anyone in their household has come in close, direct contact with an individual who has tested positive for COVID-19 in the last 14 days, their child will not be permitted to stay.
4. Any child who has a fever of 100.0 degrees or higher will not be allowed inside and must remain outside of school until the child is fever free for 48 hours.
5. Parents are required to keep their children home if sick and to inform the center if anyone in their immediate household tests positive for COVID-19 or any other transmittable illness.
6. In the event there is a reported positive COVID-19 case in the center, the center (or partial center/classrooms) will be immediately closed and CPDC will work with local health officials to implement appropriate cleaning and disinfectant protocols.
7. In the event of a positive COVID-19 case at the center, the name of the child, family or staff will remain confidential to other CPDC families and staff.
8. In the event MUW CPDC closes to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 for longer than a two consecutive week period, parents are not required to pay tuition. If CPDC does close longer than two consecutive weeks payment plans will complete for the current month of service and payments will stop. No refunds will be issued. However, if CPDC is open, parents are required to pay tuition or risk forfeiture of their child's spot-on roster.

## PREVENTIVE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR STAFF, CHILDREN, AND FAMILIES

- Try limiting exposure (let children stay at home during shopping and outings to limit the potential spread to as few family members as possible. Avoid large gatherings and community events.)
- Adults should constantly monitor symptoms and temperatures of children and peers.
- We should encourage excellent hygiene practices (including avoiding unnecessary close contact).
- We should understand that the virus is primarily spread by respiratory droplets.
- Wash hands often with soap and water. If soap and water are not readily available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol. Always wash hands with soap and water if hands are visibly dirty. Remember to supervise young children when they use hand sanitizer to prevent swallowing alcohol.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces.
- Cover cough and sneezes.
- Cover your mouth and nose with a mask covering when you have to go out in public.
- Mask coverings should NOT be put on babies and children under the age of two because of the danger of suffocation.
- Depending on the level of local spread, teachers will wear face masks and/or visor shields and children will be encouraged to wear facemasks unless outside or during nap time. CDC recommends masks for all children over age 2, and CPDC will encourage, but not require, masks for children.
- Depending on the level of local spread, masks are required in hallways and public spaces where social distancing cannot be guaranteed. As per current CDC recommendations, children over the age of 2 are gently encouraged to wear masks. Cloth face coverings will be washed daily. Paper masks may be reused if aired out overnight. Masks or face coverings will not be worn when napping, eating or exercising indoors or outdoors. Masks or face coverings will not be used by anyone who has trouble breathing, or is unable to remove their mask without assistance. When masks or face coverings are removed they will be placed out of reach. Proper hand hygiene will be practiced immediately after handling a mask or face covering.
- Children are prohibited from bringing items from home into the Center; including toys, reusable water bottles, bedding (blankets, food, pillows), etc. Items needed for comfort or napping should stay at CPDC and not pass back and forth.
- Classroom spaces may be readjusted to better plan social distancing measures.
- Healthy and extensive handwashing hygiene will be used with staff and children

## SOCIAL DISTANCING STRATEGIES (Depending on Spread)

- Teachers will strongly encourage small group and center-based play for children to naturally social distance themselves.
- Staff will maintain at least 6 feet of separation from other individuals. If such distancing is not feasible, other measures such as face covering, hand hygiene, cough etiquette, cleanliness, and sanitation will be rigorously practiced.
- Classes will include the same group each day, and the same child care staff will remain with the same group each day.
- Each group of children will stay in a separate room, to the extent possible. Classes will only combine from 7:30-8 AM and 4:45-5:30 when necessary.
- Special events such as festivals, holiday events, and special performances will be canceled or postponed.
- There will be limited mixing of children, such as staggering playground times and keeping groups separate for special activities such as art, music, and exercising.
- If possible, at nap time, children's naptime cots will be spaced out as much as possible, ideally 6 feet apart and placed head to toe in order to further reduce the potential for viral spread. Cots will be disinfected before and after each use.
- Administrative staff will telework from their personal homes, if possible.
- Time standing in lines or grouped on carpets will be minimized, with children kept at safe distances apart from each other. Six feet of separation between children is preferred. Masks may be worn if age appropriate and children are agreeable.
- The distance between children during table activities and meals will be increased.
- When feasible, more outside activities will be incorporated.
- We expect a group of toddler or preschool children will engage in interactive play or share toys. Parents must assume there are risks when returning to care.
- CPDC will use other rooms in the EDHS building or more outdoor time to allow for physically distancing play when necessary.
- Meals will continue to be served in the classrooms. Students will not serve themselves and care will be taken to not cross contaminate at meal service.

## DROP OFF AND PICK UP PROCEDURES (Depending on Spread)

- Patience will be required. These policies are now part of licensure requirements during the COVID-19 Pandemic.
- Parents will not be allowed inside the building until further notice per licensure and Center for Disease Control and Prevention ("CDC"). This may change based on the level of transmission in the community.
- The pick-up and drop-off of children will be completed outside of the Center, unless there is a legitimate need for the parent to enter. Should the parent have a legitimate need to enter the Center, the parent must be screened by the operation as outlined in this document.
- Arrival and drop off times will be staggered. Morning Drop-Off is permitted between 7:30-8:30 AM. Afternoon Pick-Up may occur at any time. In the event we are too crowded, times may be assigned for drop off. Please be patient.
- Parents are responsible for buckling and unbuckling, not CPDC staff.
- Parents should wear a mask and model for children when outside of your vehicle. Your attitude translates to your children.
- Parents and children should wait at the parent's car or on a blue dot until staff retrieves or delivers the child. Please do not crowd the check in station. Physical distancing must be maintained.
- Children can wash their hands immediately in our outdoor handwashing station or upon entry to the Center.
- Families are encouraged to limit drop off/pick up to immediate households only. Masks are recommended for any contact (including during drop off if physical distancing cannot be maintained.)
- If possible, older people such as grandparents over the age of 65 should not pick up children because they are more at risk for severe illness from COVID-19.
- Parents are to message CPDC through Brightwheel when in the circle for pick up/drop off or call the office at 662-329-7196. (Brightwheel is the best policy, as these messages pop up on all ipads and phones.)

## PRIOR TO ENTERING THE CENTER – SCREENINGS REQUIRED

- A. Staff will make a visual inspection of the child for signs of illness which could include flushed cheeks, rapid breathing or difficulty breathing (without recent physical activity), fatigue, or extreme fussiness.
  - B. Temperature checks of children will be conducted each day before a child may enter the building. Any child who has a fever of 100° or higher will not be allowed inside and must remain outside of school until the child is fever free for 48 hours with no fever reducing medications. (LICENSURE HAS REDUCED TEMP to 100 as of 7/14/20.)
- **Conduct temperature screening by following the steps below:**
    - Perform hand hygiene by washing your hands with soap and water for 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use a hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol.
    - Check the child's temperature.
    - Use a non-contact (temporal) thermometers.
    - Record all information on the daily tracking log; including staff sign in.

- C. Screening questions will be asked each day for families regarding potential household exposure to COVID-Staff will question parents for any exposure (exposure to known persons with covid, travel, fever, fussiness, tummy troubles, trouble breathing, etc.)
- a. Parents will be asked:
    1. Have you or has anyone in your home had contact within the last fourteen days with anyone under screening/testing for COVID-19, or with anyone with known or suspected COVID-19?
    2. Do you currently have any of the following symptoms?
      - Fever (100°F or higher), or a sense of having a fever;
      - New cough;
      - New shortness of breath;
      - New sore throat;
      - Diarrhea or tummy troubles of any kind;
  - b. If a parent believes anyone in their household has come in close, direct contact with an individual who has tested positive for COVID-19 in the last 14 days, their child will not be permitted to stay.
  - c. Families will also stay in isolation if anyone in the household has a COVID-19 test pending and suspected as positive due to prior exposure. Households and individuals should isolate until the results are returned.

## EXCLUSION SYMPTOMS

Screeners will ask you if you have any exposure or any of these symptoms daily. People with COVID-19 have had a wide range of symptoms reported – ranging from mild symptoms to severe illness. Symptoms may appear **2-14 days after exposure to the virus**. People with these symptoms may have COVID-19:

- Fever or chills (7/14/2020 changed to 100 degrees or higher)
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue; Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

This list does not include all possible symptoms. CDC will continue to update this list as we learn more about COVID-19.

## HOLDING AND CARING FOR CHILDREN

- It is important we comfort crying, sad, and/or anxious infants and toddlers, and they often need to be held. To the extent possible, when washing, feeding, or holding very young children: Child care providers can protect themselves by wearing an over-large button-down, long sleeved shirt and by wearing long hair up off the collar in a ponytail or other updo. CPDC will wear cobbler aprons and has disposable gowns when handling sick children.
- Child care providers must wash their hands, neck, and anywhere touched by a child's secretions.
- Child care providers shall change the child's clothes if secretions are on the child's clothes. They should change the button-down shirt, if there are secretions on it, and wash their hands again.
- Contaminated clothes shall be placed in a plastic bag or washed in a washing machine at the child's home.
- Infants, toddlers, and their providers shall have multiple changes of clothes on hand in the child care center or home-based child care.
- Child care providers must wash their hands before and after handling infant bottles prepared at home or prepared in the facility.

## COVID DIAPERING PROCEEDURE

When diapering a child, wash your hands and wash the child's hands before you begin, and **wear gloves**. Follow safe diaper changing procedures. Procedures must be posted in all diaper changing areas.

Steps include:

1. Prepare (includes putting on gloves and gathering items)
2. Clean the child
3. Remove trash (soiled diaper and wipes)
4. Replace diaper
5. Wash child's hands
6. Clean up diapering station
7. Wash hands

After diapering, wash your hands (even if you were wearing gloves) and disinfect the diapering area with a fragrance-free

bleach that is EPA-registered as a sanitizing or disinfecting solution. If other products are used for sanitizing or disinfecting, they must also be fragrance-free and EPA-registered. If the surface is dirty, it should be cleaned with detergent or soap and water prior to disinfection. If reusable cloth diapers are used, they shall not be rinsed or cleaned in the facility. The soiled cloth diaper and its contents (without emptying or rinsing) should be placed in a plastic bag or into a plastic-lined, hands-free covered diaper pail to give to parents/guardians or laundry service.

## HEALTHY HAND HYGIENE

All children, staff, and volunteers must engage in hand hygiene at the following times:

- Arrival to the facility and after breaks
- Before and after preparing food or drinks
- Before and after eating or handling food, or feeding children
- Before and after administering medication or medical ointment
- Before and after diapering
- After using the toilet or helping a child use the bathroom
- After coming in contact with bodily fluid
- After handling animals or cleaning up animal waste
- After playing outdoors or in sand
- After handling garbage
  - Wash hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If hands are not visibly dirty, alcohol-based hand sanitizers with at least 60% alcohol can be used if soap and water are not readily available.
  - Supervise children when they use hand sanitizer to prevent ingestion.
  - Assist children with handwashing, including infants who cannot wash hands alone.
  - After assisting children with handwashing, staff should also wash their hands.

## CLEANING MEASURES

- Regular cleaning routines will be amplified and verified. Staff will be given extra time daily to clean after children are gone and before they arrive.
- Toys will be sorted items frequently mouthed (food/play silverware) are not in use and only items that are easily cleaned and sanitized are used.
- Bleach water will continue to be used as the primary disinfectant.
- Toys that cannot be cleaned and sanitized will not be used.
- Machine washable cloth toys shall be used by one individual at a time or must not be used at all. These toys must be laundered before being used by another child.
- Do not share toys with other groups of infants or toddlers, unless they are washed and sanitized before being moved from one group to the other.
- Set aside toys that need to be cleaned. Place in a dishpan with soapy water or put in a separate container marked for "soiled toys." Keep dishpan and water out of reach from children to prevent the risk of drowning. Washing with soapy water is the ideal method for cleaning. Try to have enough toys so that the toys can be rotated through cleanings.
- Children's books, like other paper-based materials such as mail or envelopes, are not considered high risk for transmission and do not need additional cleaning or disinfection procedures.

## SICK CHILDREN AND STAFF MUST STAY HOME

- Children and staff **MUST** stay home if they are sick.
- If children or staff come to CPDC sick, they will be immediately sent home and/or not allowed to access our building.
- Staff and families should be vigilant for symptoms and stay in touch with facility management if or when they start to feel sick.
- If children or staff become sick during the school day, they are immediately separated from well children and staff until they can be sent home.
- Sick staff members and children shall not return to work until they have met the Mississippi State Department of Health criteria to discontinue home isolation.
- The CPDC library shall be used as the sick isolation room or a cot in the far corner of the classroom. The area will be immediately cleaned after the sick child has gone home.

## ILLNESS

Ill children and staff are required to stay home. We also need to use our common sense and act as if every person is presymptomatic or asymptomatic.

- A. The Center will communicate to parents the importance of keeping children home when they are sick. Families will need to stay in contact with the center director with any absences or symptoms.
- B. The Center will communicate to staff the importance of being vigilant for symptoms and staying in touch with the Center Director if or when they start to feel sick.
- C. Any staff or child will be sent home if they present with any of the following new or worsening signs or symptoms of

possible COVID-19, or -

- Known close contact with a person who is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19
  - Potential exposure means being a household contact or having close contact within six feet of an individual with a confirmed or suspected COVID-19 for at least 15 minutes. The period for having contact with an individual includes the period of time of 48 hours before the individual became symptomatic. If pending tests were requested by a medical professional or any symptoms are present in the household, the entire household should isolate. If tests were a personal request of curiosity, no exclusion is necessary.
- D. Children will also be sent home with any of the following new or worsening signs or symptoms of possible Inflammatory Syndrome in Children (MIS-C) associated with COVID-19:
- **Fever**
  - Rash
  - Conjunctivitis (redness of the white part of the eye)
  - Stomachache, vomiting and/or diarrhea
  - Tongue is redder than usual and looks like a strawberry
  - Swollen hands and/or feet, lymph nodes
  - Irritability and/or unusual sleepiness or weakness
  - Any child or staff with a temperature of more than 100 will not be permitted to return to the Center until 48 hours after the fever has returned to normal without fever reducing medications. The Center will not allow a physician's note before a minimum of 48 hours.
  - Very commonly, a child might be present at the Center with cough and/or runny nose (mild respiratory symptoms) and the child is behaving normally with no fever. Children will be permitted to attend the Center if no other symptoms of illness are present.
- E. Children or staff who become sick while at the Center will be sent home as soon as possible.
- The sick child or staff will isolate from well children and staff until they can be sent home by isolating in the staff room.
  - A sick child must be supervised by staff at all times. The staff member caring for the child must wear a mask and protective clothing/smock.
  - The parent of the sick child will be contacted immediately and informed to contact their healthcare provider.
  - The isolation area will be cleaned and disinfected after the sick individual has gone home.
  - All areas used by the individual who is sick, such as classrooms, offices, bathrooms, and common areas, will be cleaned and disinfected.
- F. Staff or children with the new or worsening signs or symptoms listed above will not return to the Center, the individual who was diagnosed with COVID-19, Or the individual who has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and does not get evaluated by a medical professional or tested for COVID-19, the individual is assumed to have COVID-19, and the individual may not return to the Center until the individual has completed the return policy.
- G. Ill children and staff are required to stay home. We also need to use our common sense and act as if every person is presymptomatic or asymptomatic.

## COVID-19 RETURN FROM ISOLATION OR QUARANTINE POLICY

- **Persons who have COVID-19 who have (confirmed or suspected) symptoms** and were directed to care for themselves at home may discontinue isolation under the following conditions:
  - 14 days past the positive test
    - AND at least 48 hours have passed *since recovery* defined as resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications
    - **and** improvement in respiratory symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath);
    - **and, At least 10 days have passed since symptoms first appeared.**
- **Persons Who have NOT had COVID-19 Symptoms but Tested Positive and are Under Isolation:**
  - **Time based strategy -**
    - At least 10 days have passed *and no symptoms developed during the isolation. If symptoms develop, you must use the symptoms-based return plan.*

CDC recommends 14 days of quarantine **after exposure** based on the time it takes to develop illness if infected. Thus, it is possible that a person *known* to be infected could leave isolation earlier than a person who is quarantined because of the *possibility* they are infected.

Vaccinated individuals may not need to quarantine if they show no symptoms. (CPDC will follow the guidance given at the time of occurrence.)

**IMPORTANT: THERE IS NO TEST TO RETURN POLICY WITH MUW CPDC. If you or a family member test positive for COVID-19, you are automatically excluded and must stay out for the minimum 14-day recommendation. AGAIN, you can not test to return any earlier. Please note that children are household members must exclude 10-14 days from their last visit with the positive case. If they do not exclude from the care of the positive person, they must complete a**

**minimum 10-day quarantine at the end of the positive case. (Example, mom tests positive for Covid and children stay at home. Children must complete the 14-day quarantine at the end of mom's. (20+ days.) HAVE A PLAN!**

## COVID-19 ON SITE

If COVID-19 is confirmed (tested positive) in a child, staff member or other adult who has been present in the Center, the Center will:

1. inform all parents, the Mississippi Department of Health licensure office and MUW officials (HR and the Health Clinic).
2. Inform parents to pick up all children immediately.
3. Shut down for a minimum period of 3-5 days and determine any/all close contacts and formal closure and reopening plans.
4. Close off areas used by the person who is sick for at least 24 hours.
5. Open outside doors and windows to increase air circulation in the areas.
6. Wait up to 48 hours or as long as possible before cleaning or disinfecting to allow respiratory droplets to settle.
7. Follow CDC guidance on how to disinfect the Center by cleaning and disinfecting **all areas** used by the person who is sick, such as classrooms, offices, bathrooms, and common areas, and continue routine cleaning and disinfection.
8. If more than 7 days have passed since the person who was sick was on site, continue routine cleaning and disinfection.
9. CPDC will likely close for a two-week quarantine all staff and students, depending on staff with vaccinations. Depending on guidance, this could involve specific classrooms or the entire center. If staff has to quarantine, parents should understand that we do not have the depth to call in other individuals or staff to cover classrooms. Classrooms may need to shut down for the entire 14-day period.
10. The identity will remain confidential to other staff and CPDC families. CPDC will notify the individual classroom or others as advised by licensure and the department of health.

## HIGH RISK GROUPS

Families and staff in high risk groups are strongly encouraged to speak with their medical provider to assess their risk before returning to work or care. People of any age who have serious underlying conditions should consider staying home if there is an outbreak in our community.

## POTENTIAL CHANGES (Depending on Spread)

- A. First, please note you are sending your child to a university laboratory preschool. This means we strive to be excellent stewards of information and have a great responsibility to follow best practices, guidelines, and protocols. We have a huge amount of oversight from all types of regulatory agencies and accreditors.
- B. It is likely during a pandemic that university and local shutdowns may be needed to control the spread of the disease. Please think about measures you will take to ensure childcare if you have essential duties outside of the home.
- C. In the event of a national or local emergency or crisis, CPDC will make every effort to cancel payment contracts and will seek university approval when warranted to do so. Please see the changes on the COVID waiver located on the CPDC student enrollment application. In the event MUW/CPDC closes to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 for longer than a two consecutive week period, parents are not required to pay tuition. If CPDC does close longer than two consecutive weeks' payment plans will complete for the current month of service and payments will stop. No refunds will be issued. However, if CPDC is open, parents are required to pay tuition or risk forfeiture of their child's spot on roster.
- D. When reopening or at any time during the school term, CPDC may need to open with shorter hours or varied days, depending on depth of care and needs. Please also understand that we utilize university student worker supports. Long term or university closures may affect our ability to have additional staffing needed to reopen safely and for 50 hours a week.
- E. Brightwheel and Remind will be our primary means of communication with parents.
- F. CPDC will likely require a reopening waiver at every reopening due to the hazards of the disease or emergency.
- G. We are limiting nonessential visitors and volunteers at this time.
- H. All staff and families are recommended to speak with their doctors and use personal responsibility and accountability for vaccinations.
- I. **Find a COVID-19 Vaccine:** Search [vaccines.gov](https://www.vaccines.gov), text your ZIP code to 438829, or call 1-800-232-0233 to find locations near you in the U.S.

## OTHER POLICIES PER LICENSURE --- IMPORTANT TO ALL

**Facilities must report all positive cases of COVID-19 to their licensing official. Positive reports include staff, students, and immediate family household members of the children or staff. Reports are to be made immediately once a case has been confirmed. If a positive case is suspected, based on symptoms, the individual must isolate until a test has been taken and results are received as negative or the recommended isolation time is completed.**

**Plans, policies, and levels of precautions will fluctuate and change based on the level of transmission in the community and our procedures and recommendations as outlined from MUW, local and state offices, the community, CDC, licensure, and MSDH and MSDHS. Because our early childhood community (specifically birth-5) is yet to be vaccinated, we will follow more stringent policies and procedures.**