

# **Baypoint Preparatory Academy-San Diego**

### **Endemic Infection Prevention and Control Plan**

Baypoint continues to monitor the status of the pandemic in the local community in order to forecast future needs. Baypoint continues to assess ongoing risks associated with Covid-19 as the virus evolves and new variants emerge. Baypoint follows all local and state recommendations to ensure that educational partners have the tools, resources, and supplies available to keep Baypoint safely open for in-person learning.

In alignment with Governor Newsom's SMARTER plan, Baypoint will continue to implement mitigation strategies to manage COVID-19 while moving the school forward to engage students and inspire their futures in a safe and secure learning environment.

## Masks are strongly recommended

In accordance with the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) and County of San Diego Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) guidance, Baypoint will continue to strongly recommend that students and staff use masks in schools and offices. Employees who have been exposed to Covid-19 in the workplace or at home will be required to wear a mask upon returning to work through Day 10. Employees who are recovering from a Covid-19 infection or Covid-like symptoms must also wear a mask while at work through Day 10.

Currently, Baypoint supplies masks to students and staff by request. Supplies are limited; future inventory is unknown and will depend on supplies issued at the state and federal levels.

#### **Awareness**

- During the early stages of the pandemic, Baypoint created the Covid-19 Reopening/Prevention Plan, which contains school procedures and mitigation strategies designed to prevent the spread of Covid-19. This document has evolved over time as updated guidance and recommendations are received by state and local agencies. The most recent version is available on our website.
- Baypoint will continue to promote masking and other mitigation measures designed to prevent the spread of Covid-19.

#### Readiness

• In partnership with the San Diego County Office of Education (SDCOE), Baypoint will promptly order and pick up supplies, such as masks and at-home test kits, as soon as they become available.



• As the Covid-19 virus continues to evolve, Baypoint will reevaluate mitigation efforts and make adjustments to services and systems in place as needed.

# **Symptom Screening**

- Before arriving on campus, staff, and students must self-screen for symptoms.
- Those with Covid-like symptoms must stay home and get tested.
   Covid-19 symptoms include:
  - Cough, muscle or body aches, sore throat, nasal congestion/runny nose, fever greater than 100.0 or chills, fatigue, new loss of taste or smell, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, headache, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, and diarrhea.
- Students and employees should wear masks and report to the front office if they
  are experiencing Covid-like symptoms while on campus. Thermometers are
  available for temperature checks if needed. Those experiencing symptoms
  should go home and get tested immediately.
- Prior to returning to work or school, those experiencing Covid-like symptoms must meet all of the following criteria:

### Select an option:

Option 1: Return to school as soon as you provide proof of a negative PCR test result taken after symptom onset.\*

Option 2: Return to school as soon as you provide proof of two negative antigen tests - the first test taken after the onset of symptoms and the second test taken at least 12 hours later.\*

Option 3: Return to school on Day 6 with proof of a negative test (antigen/home test recommended) taken on Day 5.\*

Option 4: Return to school on Day 11 - no testing required.\*

# In addition, the following criteria must be met:

- At least 24 hours have passed since the resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications; AND
- Other symptoms are improving

# Cleaning & Disinfecting

Baypoint recognizes that cleaning and disinfecting are effective measures in preventing the spread of general illnesses, including Covid-19.

Baypoint will continue the following:

- Provide adequate supplies (both cleaning products and PPE).
- Train all employees in Integrated Germ Management to be compliant with the Healthy Schools Act. This will allow staff members to use disinfectants in their classrooms and personal workspaces.
- Custodial staff will continue to routinely and regularly disinfect and sanitize.



# Hand Hygiene

In order to implement effective hand hygiene procedures, Baypoint will continue the following:

- Teach and reinforce the importance of hand washing, avoiding contact with one's eyes, nose, and mouth, and appropriately covering one's cough and sneezes to staff and students.
- Promote hand washing throughout the day, especially before and after eating, after using the restroom, and after handling garbage or removing gloves.
- Support healthy hygiene practices by ensuring adequate supplies are available, including soap, no-touch trash cans, face coverings, and hand sanitizers.
- Promote the use of hand sanitizer in the event hand washing is not easily accessible.

#### Air Ventilation

To mitigate in-school transmission, a multi-layered ventilation strategy continues to be important. This will include but is not limited to, getting vaccinated, wearing a mask, staying home when sick, isolating if positive, getting tested, and optimizing indoor air quality.

### **Testing**

- At-home test kits will be distributed to students who lack access to at-home tests.
- Information on how to order free at-home test kits through state and federal programs is shared with families as it becomes available.
- Testing requirements will remain in place for the upcoming school year. Baypoint
  will continue to follow all testing requirements as outlined in SDCOE's <u>COVID-19</u>
  Decision Trees for K-12 Schools (Aug 22, 2022).

Baypoint will continue to partner with state and local agencies to keep schools open and children safely in classrooms for in-person instruction.

Baypoint will encourage families to visit the HHSA and CDPH websites to learn about treatment options available to the general population.

# **Surge/case Rate Increase/Outbreak**

In addition to addressing the ongoing daily mitigation efforts, Baypoint is aware that there could potentially be a surge or outbreak in Covid positive cases as new variants emerge. Baypoint will work with the HHSA to address these situations on a case-by-case basis. Baypoint will continue to stay informed of local Covid-19 conditions and updated guidance by participating in county telebriefings and closely monitoring changes to guidance made by the CPDH and/or the county HHSA.



If there is a surge of Covid-19 cases, Baypoint will evaluate the risk of high spread in the school environment and may take the following actions:

- Face coverings/masks being required indoors temporarily for the duration of the surge or until it is determined that case rates are decreasing.
- Distribute at-home test kits to students and staff in exposed groups.
- Implement physical distancing, when feasible, to help reduce the exposure of those who may be in their contagious period and asymptomatic.
- Establish cohorts for the duration of the surge to the greatest extent possible.
- Encourage outdoor activity as much as possible.
- Limit or restrict visitors and volunteers on school campuses.

All mitigation measures will be assessed as case rate information is provided to or obtained by Baypoint.

The content contained in this document is current as of June 21, 2022. Due to the evolving nature of the COVID-19 virus, state and local guidance is fluid and may change frequently. In consultation with the County of San Diego HHSA and SDCOE, SMUSD will review guidelines and restrictions as they are released and update our protocols and procedures accordingly.