



COVID-19 Health and Wellness Policy – April 2022

Please remember that the COVID-19 public health emergency is rapidly changing. Our ability to remain open may change without notice or we may be ordered to close by BC's provincial health officer, Dr. Bonnie Henry, and/or our licensing officer.

Dr. Henry maintains that child care centres can safely care for children if they are following the prescribed health protocols. Accordingly, please review the following COVID-19 Health and Wellness policy, which applies to all children and staff within this facility.

Before arrival, parents are instructed every morning to perform a daily health check on their child. We follow the Greater Victoria School District Daily Health Checklist.

Additionally, our regular health and wellness policy continues to apply:

Children may NOT attend the childcare program while they have any of the following symptoms:

- Unusual, unexplained loss of appetite, fatigue, irritability, or headache
- Eye infections
- Unexplained rashes or any rash that is not confirmed by doctor to be non-contagious
- Known or suspected communicable diseases (measles, chicken pox, pink eye, hand foot and mouth, etc.)
- Nausea, vomiting and/or diarrhea -stay home while having symptoms then wait 24 hours before returning
- A cold with a fever, or runny nose and eyes, coughing and sore throat, obviously infected nasal discharge (thick and/or coloured) could be a sign of another bacterial infection.

If your child develops any of the above symptoms while in our care, we will move them to a separate supervised area, and you will be required to pick them up immediately. Campus View Child Care will not be held liable for any changes of child's health. If your child has **ANY** of the symptoms above, they are not able to return to Campus View Child Care until they are cleared of all symptoms for a minimum of 24 hours.

If a child begins to experience symptoms of COVID-19 while attending childcare:

- Symptomatic children are immediately separated from others, provided with a face mask and moved to a supervised area until they can go home. In addition, where possible, anyone who is providing care to the child should maintain a distance of 2 metres.
- Hygiene and respiratory etiquette should be practiced while the child is waiting to be picked up.
- Environmental cleaning of the space the child was separated in will be conducted once the child has been picked up.

- Children with symptoms must follow instructions from 811/BCCDC. They can not return to Campus View Child Care until they no longer have symptoms and have followed guidelines/protocols for either a positive or negative COVID-19 test result.

Health, Safety and Cleaning Procedures:

Drop off and pick up procedures

- When dropping your child off or picking up at our centre, parents will walk to our Centre and ring the doorbell/knock on the front door and wait 6ft away. *This is to limit the amount of people entering our facility*. Currently, please maintain distance from other families.
- Children will immediately go to the washroom and will wash their hands with soap and water for 30 seconds.

Supplies

- We will not be providing any snacks at this time. Families must pack all utensils required for their child's lunch as well as no warm-ups
- Each child must bring their own water bottle

Outdoors

- Staff and children are encouraged to be outdoors as much as possible throughout the day
- Playgrounds on-site are open. Rotation of the black top and the playground will take place with the out of school care groups.

Cleaning Protocols

- Will have licensed approved disinfectant to be used to clean items and surface areas
- Toys will be cleaned throughout the day.
- All high touch surfaces (door handles, light switches, washrooms, sinks etc.) will be cleaned multiple times per day

Health Protocols

- Staff and children will follow strict health protocols
- If a staff member is unwell with any of the above symptoms, they will be required to follow public health assessment and follow their recommendations for course of action
- We will ensure and supervise that hand washing is being done when, entering the building, before and after eating times, washroom use, after coughing or sneezing etc.

Mask Mandates

- We are following the mandate that masks will be optional for students in kindergarten to Grade 5. At this time, masks must be worn indoors by all staff, and scheduled visitors. Parents and children aged 5 and up, must wear a mask in our daycare during drop off and pick up times.

Travel

All children who travel internationally must follow the travel requirements set in place by the Government of Canada.