



29 Sivan 5781 | June 9, 2021

Subject: UPDATED OC Minyanim Guidelines

Dear OC Community and Friends,

We are updating our Guidelines as we conform with statewide [restrictions](#) and federal and local guidance. We take these precautions to daven together as safely as possible.

Minyanim at Ohr Chadash will adhere to the following standards:

- **A sign-up sheet for pre-arranged seating** will be distributed weekly as part of the OC eBulletin, and members are expected to note their **attendance by Friday at 9am via this [link](#)**. Guest email addresses should be noted. A limited number of outdoor seats on the north side of our shul are available and also require signing up.
- A **vaccinated section** has been set up in the front for members who are fully vaccinated (defined as two weeks following receipt of a last dose in a two-dose series, or a single dose in a one-dose vaccine), who have sent in (or showed) a photo of their vaccination card. Masks are not required. You may send in your card to: minyanohrchadash@gmail.com (or make arrangements to show your card).
- Attendees must be completely free of any COVID-19 symptoms, including: cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fever (a temperature above 100.4°F), chills, muscle pain, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, new loss of taste or smell. A complete symptom list can be found at www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/symptoms.html.
- Face coverings (i.e. masks) are required for all attendees who have not provided proof of full vaccination status.
- Seating in the unvaccinated sections will be at least six feet apart except those sitting next to members of their own household. Moving chairs is not permitted.
- Anyone with a household member who has been diagnosed with COVID-19 or with symptoms of COVID-19 may not attend indoors or outdoors.
- If one has been infected with COVID-19 or has been exposed to an individual infected or suspected to have been infected with COVID-19, you must be symptom-free for at least 2 weeks to attend indoors or outdoors. Those fully vaccinated who are exposed to someone who is suspected or confirmed to have COVID-19 are not required to quarantine.
- Travel: In alignment with CDC [recommendations](#), fully vaccinated attendees are not required to quarantine or test upon arrival in Seattle. For those unvaccinated, the traveler(s) must quarantine for 7 days following arrival, take a COVID-19 test

between days 3-5, and may attend services with a negative COVID-19 test on day 8. The traveler may also attend services after a 10-day quarantine without a test.

- We ask all individuals not fully vaccinated to not attend indoor services (you may sit outside) if, in the past two weeks, you have:
 - Attended large social gatherings, such as a wedding, funeral or a party
 - Attended a mass gathering such as a sporting event, concert or parade
 - Been in crowds such as restaurants, bars, airports, bus / train stations, etc.
 - Traveled on a cruise ship
- **Children** are welcome to attend indoors with their parent(s). Those under age 5 can be in the vaccinated sections without a mask when accompanied by a vaccinated adult. Children age 2 and above sitting elsewhere inside should wear face coverings with adult supervision.
 - Shabbat youth activities have restarted for both younger (1-4) and older children (5+).
 - Parents must attend with a face covering for both programs regardless of vaccination status.
 - Children attending the younger youth program are encouraged to wear a mask if age appropriate; children attending the older youth program must wear a mask.
- Those over the age of 65 or in a high-risk group (i.e., diabetic, high blood pressure, heart or lung disease, immunocompromised, etc.) should consult their physician before attending if unvaccinated.
- Abundant hand sanitizer and paper towels will be available for use.

Please note: These standards allow one to attend OC's indoor minyan, but they do not obligate one to attend. You acknowledge that you are attending OC's indoor minyan at your own risk. If you attend OC's minyan but do not follow these standards, you will be asked to leave.

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