



17 Elul 5781 | August 25, 2021

Subject: UPDATED OC Minyanim Guidelines

Dear OC Community and Friends,

We have updated our Guidelines as public health requirements and guidance has recently changed. We take these precautions to daven together as safely as possible.

Minyanim at Ohr Chadash will adhere to the following standards:

- 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.
- all members and guests five years of age and older must wear masks when indoors regardless of vaccination status.
- **Face coverings (i.e. masks) are required for all attendees five years or older per state public health order.**
- Members and guests are encouraged to verify their COVID-19 vaccination status by providing proof of full vaccination status. Copies/photos of vaccination cards can be sent to: minyanohrchadash@gmail.com (or make arrangements to show your card).
- Those unvaccinated are encouraged to distance themselves from other unvaccinated attendees.
- 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) in either seating sections.
 - Parents attending youth programs must wear a face covering 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 minyanim, but they do not obligate one to attend. You acknowledge that you are attending OC's minyanim at your own risk. If you attend minyan but do not follow these standards, you may be asked to leave.

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