



## La Luz Early Childhood Center Travel Policy for Families and Staff

**UPDATED AS OF 6-2-2021**

Due to further national and state guidance, vaccinations and decreasing positive numbers, we are hereby amending our policy. Not changed: **if you have been fully vaccinated, there are NO quarantine restrictions!** Fully vaccinated is defined as receiving both doses of either the Pfizer or Moderna vaccinations with 14 days passing from your 2<sup>nd</sup> dose or after 14 days from 1 dose of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine. **In order to verify this, we will need to have an official copy of the full COVID-19 vaccination history of each staff or family member traveling showing the date given and the manufacturer.** If you do travel, we ask, in an abundance of caution, that you continue with all local safety guidelines including those household members who are not fully vaccinated wearing masks, and using social distancing, even if fully vaccinated, while traveling.

**For anyone not fully vaccinated**, (those who are not yet fully vaccinated, i.e., no doses, one dose or not yet 14 days out from their 1 Johnson & Johnson or 2<sup>nd</sup> Pfizer or Moderna), if you do travel or stay with others who do not normally live in your household, our policy is as set forth below. Please note that this is subject to change based upon ever-changing guidelines from the CDC, the governor of the State of New Mexico, the NMDOH and the NM Early Childhood Education and Care Department (ECECD).

**Instances requiring a minimum 4-day exclusion** for 1) unvaccinated staff member, enrolled child or enrolled child of an unvaccinated traveler or visitor, or 2) unvaccinated staff member, enrolled child or enrolled child of an unvaccinated patient, may return with their own negative COVID-19 test result, or with the unvaccinated traveler's or unvaccinated patient's, negative COVID-19 test results whereby the test was taken **on or after the 3rd day of return, visit or in-patient hospital stay**:

1. Travel – **out of state**, for anyone (who is unvaccinated) in the household for the return of an unvaccinated staff member or unvaccinated enrolled child.
2. Unvaccinated staff, unvaccinated child, or an unvaccinated household member receives a medical procedure requiring an overnight stay in a hospital setting.
3. Unvaccinated visitors are staying in the household and the staff member or enrolled child is unvaccinated.

**Instances requiring a minimum 6-day exclusion** (non-vaccinated staff member or a non-vaccinated child of a non-vaccinated traveler or non-vaccinated visitor, may return with non-vaccinated traveler's, negative COVID-19 test results whereby the test was taken **on or after the 5th day of return**):

1. Travel – **out of the country**, for anyone in the household.

**NOTE: COVID results are currently taking about 24 hours to return but can take as long as 3 to 5 days to come back, making return likely to happen 4 to 7 days after the traveler's return or hospital stay- DOMESTICALLY or 6 TO 9 days for INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL. Should a staff member, you (or your child) NOT get tested, if not fully vaccinated, then your child may return after a 10-day quarantine.**

The above exclusions do not consider those in the household experiencing any symptoms of COVID-19 illness. **Should anyone in the household have symptoms, then the staff member or child enrolled at La Luz ECC would need to be excluded until the last person with two or more symptoms is cleared by the NMDOH or 14 days AFTER the last symptoms of anyone in the household have been resolved.**

**Common Symptoms of COVID-19 include:**

- Fever
- Body Chills and/or Night Sweats
- Body/Muscle Aches
- Dry Cough
- Pain and/or Difficulty with Breathing
- Vomiting and/or Diarrhea
- Extreme Level of Fatigue
- Headache
- Sore Throat
- Loss of Taste/loss of sense of smell
- Changes in Vision and/or Eye Discharge

We reserve the right to change or modify our policies immediately based upon future guidance from the NM ECECD, NM DOH and/or the CDC. Please note that La Luz ECC's policies may not be the same as the NMDOH's policies. Again, the Governor, the CDC and NMDOH are still trying to **discourage travel when at all possible**. Further, La Luz ECC is trying to minimize exposure to our staff and the children enrolled, as well as their families. Should cases start rising, and we find ourselves experiencing COVID-19 infections inside of the school, class quarantines and a complete school quarantine/closure are very much a possibility. Tighter restrictions would once again become a reality should we see an uptick in COVID cases among our La Luz ECC community.

***La Luz ECC Travel Policies are subject to change as directed by the Governor's office of the State of New Mexico, the NMDOH, the CDC and the Early Childhood Education and Care Department (ECECD).***