## **Updated COVID Guidelines** as of April 1, 2022

Thank you to those who provided feedback to us over this past week. We are grateful for your input and are making some adjustments to the guidelines as we continue to move through the COVID pandemic and explore safe ways to come back together in the building and in person. These changes are being made to guide us toward increased access while continuing to help protect the health and safety of our community to the best of our ability.

While we continue to encourage COVID vaccination for all who are able to be vaccinated, the following guidelines will be instituted beginning *Friday, April 1, 2022*.

- \*Vaccination requirement is in effect for all <u>indoor</u> religious services, for all participants 5yrs & above, while those younger than 5 yrs are able to participate regardless of vaccination status.
- \*Community programs and events are open to all participants. Vaccination will not be required, except as noted below.
- \*Masks will now be optional for all indoor and outdoor events and services.
- \*Food may only be served at indoor programs where those 5yrs & above are vaccinated. No such restriction will apply to food being served at outdoor events, or where food is not being served.

#### **Shabbat and Other Prayer Services:**

- Friday Night and Shabbat morning services continue to be in person and will be open to our entire community, families of all ages.
- When services are <u>indoors</u>, proof of vaccination is required for ages 5yrs and older in attendance, while those younger than 5 yrs are able to participate regardless of vaccination status.
- Masks are now optional for all members sitting in the pews for services. When participating on the bimah, please wear your mask unless you are alone behind a podium for a reading.

### **Community Programming:**

- We welcome all community members and families of all ages to join us for community programming.
- Masks are now optional for all indoor events and services.
- <u>Please note specific guidelines for programs including food</u>. The guidelines may vary for programming that includes our preschool and religious school programs.

# Religious School & Shalom Yeladim:

- Religious School and Shalom Yeladim are both mask optional.
- At this time, vaccination is **not required** for participation in either school program.

## Things that Remain the Same:

- Virtual services will continue for all who are not yet comfortable returning in person.
- Pre-registration for **ALL** programming MUST be followed, allowing us to account for those present during services and community events, just in case contact tracing is necessary.
- If you are not feeling well or have tested positive for COVID in the last 6 days, we ask that you please stay home, and on days 7-10 if you do attend, a mask must be worn.