COVID restriction policy – Swedish School of Atlanta (SSA)

SSA will follow the CDC guidelines for preventing the spread of COVID-19. Because SSA will be operating from Atlanta International School (AIS), part of our policy presented below is adapted from AIS COVID guidelines.

Due to the changing nature of this pandemic, we are prepared to adapt our policy as needed. The current policy will be revisited by the board throughout the 2022- 2023 school year and will be available on our website. This is the latest version updated as of July 2022.

Requirement to enter AIS campus:

AIS no longer requires students, teachers and visitors to fill out a wellness form. Instead, we ask that families do not send their children to Swedish School if exhibiting any symptoms, regardless of vaccination status or COVID test result.

Classroom requirements:

In the classroom the students will be seated according to social distancing guidelines. Before and after class, the desks will be cleaned by the cleaning supplies provided by AIS. Hand sanitizer will be provided in each class and will be expected to be used every time one enters the classroom.

Snacks/food/drinks at campus:

Students and teachers can bring their own food and drinks to have at school. Sharing is strongly discouraged for safety reasons. The water fountains on campus will be closed, so it is recommended to bring a water bottle to school.

Mask:

Per the CDC and AIS requirements, masks are welcome but optional for everyone, regardless of vaccination status.

Recess:

The SSA board has decided that all students will have recess at the same time on the playground. The teachers will help remind their students about social distancing at the playground. Hand sanitizer or hand washing before and after recess will be required.

Library:

SSA will have separate boxes for returning books. All students will be requested to place the books for return in these boxes and they will be 'quarantined' until the next time we meet for Swedish School.

Parents on campus during school hours:

Parents are not allowed to stay on campus.

Exceptions to the rule are:

- **First day of school** one parent will be allowed to follow their children to class.
- **Parents** will be allowed for drop off inside classroom and leave.
- We have special permission for parents of **Nyckelpigorna** to stay on the premises at all times during class.
- Parents of **students with special needs** (medical or other) are allowed on campus at all times during school hours.
- Two parents for each group who will be responsible for the **Library** will be allowed on the premises.

Close contact to a person tested Covid positive:

If you have had a close contact to a Covid positive person out of the home, school for example, you will quarantine for 5 days with a test on day 5, or for 10 days without a test (regardless of being vaccinated).

Covid case in household: Covid exposure:

Parents are obligated to inform SSA about any positive COVID-19 tests in their household:

If someone in the household has Covid, the family will need to quarantine for 10

days regardless of being vaccinated.

If you are diagnosed with Covid without symptoms, you have to quarantine for 5 days after you first tested positive. If you test positive with symptoms, you quarantine for 10 days after your first symptoms appeared and 24 hours after any fever or other symptoms are gone.

If any household member of an SSA student tests positive for COVID-19, parents are obligated to report it to SSA board at info@swedishschoolatlanta.org or to relevant teacher as soon as possible. Any further communication needed will be under anonymous terms.

Contact Tracing:

In case of a positive COVID case reported by parents/teachers, the board will inform all parents. Students who have been close to the positive tested person (same class) will be considered 'close contact' and will receive separate emails with guidelines. All other students will be considered a 'low risk' situation.