



COVID-19 PROTOCOLS 3.6.2022

Bright Loritos LLC follows requirements made by the Oakland County Health Department (OCHD) and local governance recommendations. Below we outline steps to keep our community safe and what to do when someone in our community tests positive with COVID-19. Please understand that these protocols are adjusted as positivity rates and other factors in our area change. Bright Loritos will continue to monitor best practices and will issue updated guidance as needed.

MASKS

UPDATE: *Oakland County Health Department (OCHD) has rescinded its order requiring face-coverings in all schools effective February 28, 2022.*

Starting February 28, 2022, masks will be optional for everyone at Bright Loritos, including students, staff, and parents. For additional mask guidance, please review the CDC's guide to mask-wearing, selection, and restrictions: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/about-face-coverings.html>

SCREENING

Before entering our facilities, we conduct temperature checks on students, staff and visitors using no-touch thermometer devices. Those with temperatures above 100.4 degrees will not be able to enter. Screening questions will be asked regarding contact with persons who have contracted COVID-19 and on relevant symptoms (persistent cough, fever, difficulty breathing, cold, diarrhea and/or vomiting) in the past 5 days.

Any student or staff experiencing any of the following symptoms – cough, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea (two or more episodes in 24 hours), shortness of breath, sore throat, loss of taste or smell, muscle aches, nasal congestion, runny nose, a temperature of 100.4F or above (without the use of medications) – or other symptoms identified by the CDC <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/symptoms.html> is required to remain home and is not permitted on site.

SOCIAL DISTANCE

All individuals are encouraged to continue social distancing. Bright Loritos will follow best practice guidelines for social distancing by limiting group sizes, and the number of spaces a child is in during the day as much as possible.

Until further notice, family members and/or individuals dropping-off and picking-up students shall not enter the building unless they have scheduled a time to come in or are part of the parent-tot class “parakeets”.

Drop-off: Designated screening staff will meet families outside the main entrance of the Bright Loritos building to perform screening protocol. Please keep social distancing as we complete the screening process. Families are required to stay with their children until they have been cleared, if cleared a Bright Loritos staff will escort students into the building.

Pick-up: Families will pick up children outside the main entrance of the Bright Loritos building only. Ring the doorbell upon arrival. Designated staff will meet families at the main entrance door of the Bright Loritos building to safely dismiss students with their belongings.

VISITORS

Visitors and free-trial students are welcome by appointment only and are required to complete the health screening and follow all Bright Loritos COVID protocols.

CLEANING AND FACILITIES

In addition to our regular daily cleaning schedule, surface areas, including sinks, restrooms, doorknobs, and other high-touch points, will be sanitized twice each per day. High-touch areas in classroom spaces, including desks and tables will be cleaned and disinfected after every class. All cleaning products used by Bright Loritos meet CDC standards for effectiveness against COVID-19 and other viruses.

Fresh Air Circulation: The ventilation (HVAC) system filters have been upgraded at all our locations. All HVAC equipment will be inspected and evaluated by certified technicians to ensure proper functioning. Electronic HEPA air purifiers have been placed in all teaching spaces to provide additional air filtration.

Handwashing: Staff and students will wash hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. CDC handwashing guidelines are posted at every sink at Bright Loritos. An alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol will be provided and used when a sink and soap are unavailable (i.e. upon entering the Bright Loritos building, on the Bright Loritos playground).

ILLNESS POLICY: QUARANTINE AND ISOLATION

All community members are asked to stay home if they are feeling sick – this is critical as we seek to minimize the spread of COVID and other communicable illnesses.

If your child or family member tests positive for COVID-19 please notify the Bright Loritos office immediately via phone or email info@brightloritos.net and let us know the test result and last date of exposure to people at Bright Loritos.

TESTED POSITIVE FOR COVID-19 OR HAVE SYMPTOMS? WHO NEEDS TO ISOLATE?

Isolation Period for those who test positive for COVID-19 has been shortened from 10 days to 5 days. Students and staff who test positive for COVID-19 must stay home regardless of vaccination status for days 0-5 (day “0” is the day the symptoms began or the day the test was taken for those without symptoms).

- If asymptomatic, monitor for symptoms for days 0-10, AND

- Isolate at home for days 0-5 (day “0” is day symptoms begin or day test was taken for those without symptoms), AND
- If you are symptom-free, return to school, while wearing a well-fitted mask for days 6-10 AND
- If you have a fever, stay home until you are fever free for a period of 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medications.
- If a household contact tests positive, unvaccinated siblings will quarantine alongside the household member who tested positive for 5 days, and then must test if they have symptoms. Fully vaccinated siblings and those who have had a positive lab result for COVID in the past 90 days do not have to quarantine.

Under no circumstances Bright Loritos will allow someone with COVID-19 to return in fewer than 5 full days.

When a positive COVID case is reported, Bright Loritos will work with the Oakland County Health Department (OCHD) on contact tracing, isolation protocols, and the timeline for return to school.

EXPOSED TO SOMEONE WITH COVID-19? WHO NEEDS TO QUARANTINE?

As of March 7, 2022, we are no longer requiring individuals who have been exposed to someone who tests positive with COVID-19 to quarantine unless they develop symptoms; however, if you think you have been exposed, we do recommend you monitor for symptoms, consider wearing a mask in the presence of others, and consult the OCHD guidelines on quarantining. All positive cases on campus are reported to OCHD. Respecting the need for confidentiality, Bright Loritos will not share the name or identity of the individual with COVID with the community.

QUESTIONS?

If you have any questions about these protocols and procedures, please email us at info@brightloritos.net. For specific questions or concerns about how to keep your family safe during this phase of the pandemic, please contact your healthcare provider for best guidance.

RESOURCES:

- [MI Safer Schools Guidance for Managing COVID-19 Exposures in K-12 School Settings](#)
- [OCHD Updated Isolation-Quarantine Guidance document for further clarification.](#)
- [Talking with Children about COVID-19](#), from the CDC
- [Helping Young Children Through COVID-19](#), from Zero to Thrive (includes Arabic and Spanish translations)