PWS Covid-19 Guidelines

A. Vaccinations

We ask all parents of eligible aged children to get their child vaccinated.

1. If your child has received the Covid Vaccine, please email a copy of the card to (nurse@pineywoods.org) and bring a copy of the shot card with you.
2. If your child has not taken the Covid Vaccine, we urge you to please get him/her vaccinated for safety reasons prior to coming to Piney Woods.
3. If he/she has taken the 1st dose of the Covid Vaccine and will not have time to take the 2nd dose before school starts (and you do not live in the surrounding area), we will transport your child to a local facility to ensure he/she receives the 2nd dose. **We must have their vaccination card or a copy.**
4. At Piney Woods we follow the CDC guidelines. For more information on Covid-19 and/or the vaccine, please go to: [Vaccines for COVID-19 | CDC](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html)

B. Covid Testing

1. All students/persons entering The Piney Woods School campus and interacting in any way with our students must have a recent negative COVID test (no more than 3 days old) to be shown to the security guard at the entrance of campus.
2. At any time during the year, if a student remains off campus overnight, they must return with a negative Covid-19 test (dated after the overnight visit). That negative result is to be shown to the security guard upon entering the campus. (NO EXCEPTIONS.)
3. All non-students who wish to enter the dormitory must have a negative COVID test before they are allowed to enter. Test results from over-the-counter kits will not be accepted. The strictest compliance with these procedures is necessary to protect our entire campus community, including your child.

For precautionary measures, all students are tested at least bi-monthly for Covid-19. All students are to adhere to the following COVID-19 safety protocols:

a. Wear a mask or face covering whenever they leave their room and/or residential area.
b. Disinfect and sanitize room frequently.
c. Submit to temperature checks when requested.
d. Practice physical distancing. Stay at least six feet away from others.
e. Wash hands frequently for at least 20 seconds.
f. Use hand sanitizer when washing is unavailable or in areas that are frequently touched by others.
If a student tests positive for COVID-19:

a. The parent will be notified immediately, and we will follow CDC guidelines. The student will be quarantined on campus in a separate designated housing area. If the student is local, the parent may be called to come and pick him/her up.

b. Before the student(s) will be allowed to return to their assigned housing area, they must both remain quarantined for a period of at least 10 days and be free of symptoms.

c. Students quarantined on campus will be monitored and consulted on a frequent basis by our school nurse.