

Out-of-school time

Civic Nebraska's response to COVID-19 2020-21 academic year



Your child's health and safety are our top priorities. As we return to programming amid COVID-19 concerns, we're taking every step to maintain a healthy environment at our after-school programs in the Omaha, Lincoln, and Raymond Central districts. While this is an overview of guidelines that Civic Nebraska follows, slight differences may exist in procedures and policies from different schools and school districts.

- ☆ Staff and students may have their temperatures taken upon arrival and in the afternoon. Anyone with a temperature of 100.4° or above will be excluded from entering.
- ☆ Parents are not allowed to enter the school for pickup. Please follow your school-specific pickup plan. Contact the Site Director or SCC for more information.
- ☆ Elementary and middle school students will be assigned to a cohort and will stay with their assigned cohort during the duration of the program.
- ☆ To the fullest extent possible, staff will not work between cohorts. The health of staff and students will be monitored throughout programming time. Staff will quickly excuse and isolate anyone who exhibits COVID-19 symptoms or anyone who has been discovered to be exposed.
- ☆ All staff and students will be required to wear face coverings indoors. If a student has a face-covering exemption with the school, they will also be exempt in the after-school program.
- ☆ Physical distancing will be practiced to the fullest extent possible. Program time will be spent outside whenever possible.
- ☆ Students and staff will wash hands frequently and have hand sanitizer available. High-traffic areas will be sanitized daily either by school custodial staff or Civic Nebraska staff. High-touch items will be disinfected daily or moved to storage for four days before reuse.



- ☆ Each site will have an area for a student to be isolated if the student becomes ill while in care.
- ☆ Civic Nebraska will work closely with the county health department and the school district to complete any necessary contact tracing.
- ☆ Any student determined by the health department as high risk of exposure to isolate for 14 days or until a covid test comes back negative. Any student determined to be exposed during program time will follow the same procedures as a student who is exhibiting symptoms.

What we will do if a student exhibits COVID-19 symptoms

- ☆ Student will wait in an area isolated from other students with adult supervision. ☆ Parent/emergency contact will be called immediately to pick up their student. ☆ Generally, the student will not be able to return to care until a 14-day isolation is completed or the student is released to return to care by a medical authority, but final decision on this will be made in partnership with the school and the county health department.
- ☆ After the student has been picked up, the cohort area will be thoroughly cleaned in partnership with school custodial staff. ☆ If a child is sent home from the program due to new symptoms or new exposure information, the Site Director/SCC will work with the school nurse and the county health department to identify exposed children. ☆ The county Health Department will provide guidance to families in the case of high-risk exposures.



Frequently-asked questions

How are Civic Nebraska staff being monitored for COVID-19?

Staff will not be allowed to work when presenting any symptoms of COVID-19. Staff are required to self-screen daily. Any COVID-19 symptoms will be reported to the site director, program director, and human resources. Staff will not be allowed to return to work until a negative test is obtained.

Will the program close if a staff member or child is diagnosed with COVID-19?

We will follow the recommendation of the Lancaster and Douglas county health departments to determine closures to prevent the further spread of COVID-19.

Are staff trained on how to identify the symptoms and manage the environment?

Yes, all staff are trained on identifying COVID-19 symptoms and mitigation before working in the program.

Are Civic Nebraska staff required to wear a face covering at all times?

Yes, staff are required to wear a face covering at all times while indoors. It is recommended that staff wear a mask outdoors unless they can guarantee they will not be closer than six feet from another person.

Are CLC students required to wear a face covering?

Yes, students are required to wear face coverings at all times while indoors.

Are volunteers or other non-school staff allowed in the program during out-of-school time?

Access to the program will be limited to Civic Nebraska-approved personnel necessary to operate the program, including paid staff and club instructors.

Additional resources



Lincoln Public Schools COVID-19 Procedures and Policies: <http://bit.ly/LPSCOVID>
Lincoln Public Schools 2020-21 COVID-19 Planning Document: <http://bit.ly/LPSCOVIDplan>

