



Parent Statement of Understanding

The Sammamish Montessori School (SMS) COVID-19 Operating Plan & Health Policy Guidelines outlines the policies, procedures and other information regarding our daily operations during the COVID-19 outbreak, our expectations of you as a school community member, and reflects our commitment to excellence.

By signing below, you certify the following:

- This operating plan is intended as a reference;
- The school reserves the right to change any or all plans, policies or procedures, in whole or in part, at any time, with or without notice;
- Nothing here creates or constitutes an enrollment contract between the school and any school family.

I certify that I have read and have had an opportunity to discuss with the administration any questions or concerns about the rules and policies contained in the SMS COVID-19 Operating Plan & Health Policy Guidelines.

I certify and understand that my child will be subject to temperature and daily health screenings upon entry and I understand the exclusionary health policy if my child exhibits symptoms of COVID-19 (fever of 100°F or higher, cough, shortness of breath, sore throat, chills, muscle or body aches, unusual fatigue, nausea/vomiting/diarrhea, new loss of taste or smell, congestion/runny nose that is not due to seasonal allergies).

I certify that I understand I must notify the school administration **immediately** if someone in my household has a confirmed case of COVID-19. I certify that I understand SMS may be required to close for a minimum of 2-14 days in the event of a confirmed onsite COVID-19 related exposure.

If handwashing is not feasible (during play outside), I give permission for my child to use hand sanitizer.

Per current Public Health guidance, facial coverings must be worn by children age 5 and older and every adult indoors or outside when in proximity to others. Children ages 3 to 4 are encouraged but not required to use facial coverings. Children and youth may use face shields as an alternative (must extend below the chin, to the ears, and have no gap at the forehead). Children may remove face coverings to eat and drink and when they go outdoors for recess or other outside activities. Mask Exemptions:

- Children younger than 2 years. If children over 2 years cannot wear a face covering properly or if it causes more face touching, Public Health advises it is best to focus on the three primary ways to prevent infection spread. (Hand washing, distancing, home isolation if sick.)
- Those with a disability that prevents them from comfortably wearing or removing a face covering.
- If advised by a medical, legal, or behavioral professional that wearing a mask may pose a risk to that person.
- Those who are deaf, hard of hearing, and/or use facial and mouth movements as part of communication.

I certify that I understand SMS is doing its best to maintain health and safety standards and social distancing directives while providing a much-needed service. I voluntarily agree to assume all of the foregoing risks and accept sole responsibility for any injury that my child(ren) or myself may experience or incur in connection with my child(ren)'s attendance. On my behalf, and on behalf of my children, I hereby release, covenant not to sue, discharge, and hold harmless the SMS, its employees, agents, and representatives, of and from the Claims, including all liabilities, claims, actions, damages, costs or expenses of any kind arising out of or relating thereto.

I acknowledge that I understand the mask requirements and social distancing expectations while the "Stay Home Stay Healthy" order is in place.

Student Name _____

Parent Name _____

Parent Signature _____

Date _____