



Family Health & Wellness Pledge Revised: Winter 2020-21

As we enter the winter months, rates of COVID-19 are on the rise around the country and in our region. In an effort to safeguard the health of our community and preserve in-person education, MFS has revised the Health & Wellness Pledge, providing a level of specificity and clarity that we hope will emphasize the commitments we must all make to our community in order to preserve on-campus learning. Adhering to this pledge is more important now than ever, and your careful review and acknowledgement of these revised commitments are critical to a successful school year during a pandemic. In signing this pledge, you understand that our community is deeply interconnected and we all play an important role in preserving the health and safety of our students, faculty, staff, and families. **Please review this document carefully, as it will inform what Learning Mode (MFS@Home or MFS@School) you will choose for your child.**

FOR ALL FAMILIES: @Home or @School

I commit to...

- exercising patience with others, assuming good intentions, and aiming to be a part of the solution.
- upholding the values of MFS and engaging respectfully with all community members.
- intervening should I hear of others participating in discriminatory behavior related to COVID-19 aimed at people of a particular background or towards those who have been in contact with the virus.
- open and transparent communication with the school characterized by a spirit of partnership and collaboration.
- having direct, honest, and respectful conversations with other families if I am uncomfortable with their actions, knowing that we are all active participants in creating our shared community.

FOR STUDENTS LEARNING ON CAMPUS

For my child to learn on campus, I commit to...

- completing a daily health screening for each child prior to arriving at school.
- keeping my child home if they show any signs of illness associated with COVID-19 or if the daily symptom assessment indicates I should do so.
- keeping my child home if they, others in our household, or someone close to my child (babysitter, extended family, etc.) are exposed to COVID-19, test positive for COVID-19, or are awaiting test results until they are known.
- openly communicating with the school any COVID test results for those in my home. In the case of my child, I commit to sharing test results in writing on official letterhead, knowing that my child's COVID status may have broader implications for others and their families, including the potential of quarantine.
- allowing the school to administer a temperature check or other appropriate medical assessments when necessary. In the event my child shows symptoms of illness, I will promptly pick them up from school to go home.
- ensuring my child has a properly fitting face covering on a daily basis from the moment they enter campus.
- ensuring my child is following all school protocols and procedures, including social distancing, proper mask wearing, and effective hand hygiene.
- ensuring my child reports symptoms to a teacher or school nurse immediately.

- adhering to any required quarantine period and following any guidance from the school in order for my child to return to campus after any period of time at home.
- making sure everyone in my carpool or shared transportation is wearing a face covering to/from school, unless they are part of my same household.
- openly communicating with the school should I have any questions about an activity or experience that my child is involved in that may conflict with the Pledge.

While off campus, my child(ren) and my family commit to...

- following federal, state, and local orders regarding social distancing, safe gatherings, and other measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

In an effort to be extra cautious and to ensure that those coming to campus can continue to gather safely for in-person learning, here are some examples of activities to AVOID:

- hosting or participating in sleepovers
- gatherings of any size (parties, weddings, social events, etc.) where mask wearing and social distancing cannot be maintained, whether inside or outside
- group sports, activities, or lessons whose safety protocols are not aligned with those of Moorestown Friends School
- crowded, unmasked environments where distancing cannot be maintained
- non-essential travel
- mixing with anyone outside of the household

We understand that Moorestown Friends School is asking our families to make sacrifices this year in order to maintain an in-person program. We rely on each and every family to do their part to sustain a healthy community. If you and your child are NOT able to commit to the on-campus pledge this winter, your child can learn through MFS@Home. If your child is learning through MFS@School, you are welcome to change to MFS@Home for any reason, but you must remain in MFS@Home until the next learning period change occurs. If you wish to change from MFS@Home to MFS@School, you will be asked to reaffirm your commitment to this pledge before your child can come to campus. If your family is unable to uphold these commitments, you may be asked by the school to have your child learn remotely for a period of time (a minimum of two weeks or maybe more).

We thank you for your partnership and understanding, as we refine our Health & Wellness Pledge in an effort to support the safest environment possible for our students and employees.

[Families sign via myMFS portal]