



2022-2023 VYBA School Year COVID Prevention Policy

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Resources Statement

This document was developed drawing from the following resources and recommendations. While Venice Youth Boating Associations (VYBA) strives to meet all recommendations by OSHA, CDC, US Sailing, and local polices it is important to note that virus transmission is still a possibility. Any employee or sailor that participates in summer programming will have the responsibility to decide if they are willing to take that risk.

The author of this document is the VYBA Executive Director, reviewed by the VYBA Board of Directors. The document will be updated as needed with revision dates noted. The medical administrative point person for all COVID related issues will be the Executive Director or, on the Director's absence, the Head Coach.

American Red Cross FAQ - https://cpr.heart.org/-/media/cpr-files/resources/covid-19-resources-for-cpr-training/community-faqs_pediatic-covid19-and-cpr.pdf?la=en

CDC Community, Schools, Workplaces and Events Guidance - <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/index.html>

CDC Cleaning and Disinfecting Guidance - <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/reopen-guidance.html>

Gowrie Group COVID 19 Risk Management Guide - <https://cdn.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/Gowrie-Risk-Report-COVID-19-Risk-Managment-Best-Practices.pdf>

US Sailing Leadership Guidance Webinars - <https://www.ussailing.org/starboard-portal/>

US Sailing COVID 19 Resources - <https://www.ussailing.org/membership/organizations/resources/>

Employee Safety

The following preventative actions will be in place to keep employees safe:

- Employees will be told that they should not come to work if they feel sick or if anyone in their household has tested positive for COVID19
- If an employee has a fever of 100.4F or greater, they will be isolated and sent home. An incident report will be filled out. Any surfaces they may have touched will be disinfected.
- If an employee begins to feel sick while at work they will immediately tell the Director and isolate themselves until they can leave the facility.
- No medical records will be kept for normal temperature readings, only for fever readings. All fever incident reports fall under HIPPA laws and will not be disclosed except to the employee or guardian.
- An employee can return to work 10 days after the onset of symptoms or with a negative COVID rapid test after day 6 of exposure and no symptoms.
- If an employee has direct contact with a person (less than 6 ft for more than 15 min or live in the household with them) that tests positive for COVID the following applies:
 - o The employee must isolate for 10 days after the contact with the infected person and may return after 10 days if there are no symptoms or;
 - o The employee may take a PCR test and present a negative result
 - o The employee may take a rapid test on day 6 after the initial contact with the positive person and present a negative result
 - o If the employee begins to exhibit symptoms, then the employee will be able to return to work 10 days after symptom onset if no symptoms are present
 - o (Reference Sarasota County School policy)

Rescue

According to recommendations by the Red Cross, if CPR is needed, **Instructors will NOT perform any mouth to mouth procedures, but can perform hands only compressions until professionals arrive.** For any minor medical issues such as scrapes, splinters, etc, Instructors will wear gloves and will provide first aid provisions to the sailor for them to treat themselves if possible

Cleaning and Disinfecting

At the end of each session, all high touch points will be cleaned with an environmentally safe soap and disinfectants. These areas include but are not limited to:

- o Coach boat driving mechanisms
- o Radios
- o Tillers
- o Main Sheet / Jib Sheet and other controls
- o Sails and sailbags

- Sprit poles
 - Hoses and sprayers
 - Tools
 - Classroom chairs
 - Tables and counters
- Employees will use the Venice Yacht Club Poolside restrooms and will wash their hands before sessions begin and have time to wash hands throughout the day.
 - Hand sanitizer will be provided for employees and sailors' use.

PPE

- Medical gloves will be provided in the first aid kits.

Food / Water

- Employees will be required to bring their own lunch and should not share food.

Sailor Safety and Protocol

The following minimum preventative measures will be taken to provide a safe environment for sailors. Instructors along with the Executive Director will be responsible for enforcing these measures.

Registration

- During registration, parents are asked for any health issues of the sailor. VYBA reserves the right to refuse a sailor if they have autoimmune disease or any issues that would not allow them to social distance.

Sign-in and Social Distance in the Facility

- Parents and guardians will receive all pre-session information including this policy one week before their session begins.
- Parents will be asked to stay in their car during drop off and pick similar to school drop off except for the first day of each session. An outdoor table will be set up for check in and paperwork on the first day. Pick up will be done in a similar car line fashion.
- Most all activities will take place outside and social distancing will be encouraged.

Personal Belongings

- All personal belongings MUST be taken home after each session. There will be no locker or cubby storage available after sessions
- All sailors must have their own personal life jacket (PFD) and must take it home with them after every session.

Bathrooms/Water/Food

- All arriving sailors will be taken to the restroom at the beginning of each session to wash hands or use the bathroom as needed. Additional restroom breaks will be provided at for hand washing and restroom use as needed. Restrooms are part of the Venice Yacht Club will be cleaned each day.
- No showers will be available for use
- A Water Fountain and Water Jugs will be provided to refill water bottles. If you do not want your child to use the VYBA water jugs, please provide enough water for the full day

PPE requirements

- All sailors will be required to wear a buff or cloth face covering when inside the VYBA classroom with a large group and all doors are closed (such as during storm events) ONLY. Face coverings are optional all other times.
- Sailors are not required to wear face coverings when on the water
- Sailors will not be required to wear face coverings when outside
- All sailors will be required to have a buff or face covering to enter their session, but paper disposable masks will be available if needed.
- Medical gloves will be provided by VYBA when needed for first aid or when using high touch equipment

Sick Child Protocol and Reporting

If a child begins to feel sick with any COVID symptoms as described by the CDC, the child will immediately be isolated in an outside space with instructor observation.

- A temperature reading will be taken.
- Guardians will be called immediately to pick up the child.
- The sailor will remain in isolation until picked up.
- An incident report will be filed and subject to HIPPA laws will only be shared with the guardian.
- All employees and sailor families will be informed that there was a sick child at the session.
- If a sailor or anyone in the household of the sailor tests positive for COVID, all employees and participants will be informed of the positive but not the identity of the sailor.

Return

Sarasota County School protocol will be followed for return to sailing.

Sick or Covid-19? What To Do.

FEEL SICK?

- Identified at school/work or stayed home because of **symptoms**.
- Covid-19 symptoms (**ONLY 1 NEEDED TO TRIGGER**). See Form.
- **PARENT NOTIFICATION**. Parent should contact school to inform them of student illness.
- **STAFF NOTIFICATION**. Staff member should contact supervisor to inform them of illness.
- Students & employees must stay out of school/work for **10 DAYS**.
- Students & employees may **ONLY RETURN early** if they have a **Negative Covid-19 Test** or an **alternative physician diagnosis**.
- Students & employees **MUST** contact the **Health Department** at **941-861-2873** and receive a **Return to School/Work Clearance** prior their return.
- **STUDENTS** must bring the **Return to School Clearance** with them to school.
- **STAFF** must bring the **Return to Work Clearance** to their supervisor.

EXPOSURE OF POSITIVE TEST

- **DO NOT** come to school or work.
- **INFORM** your school or worksite if contact happened outside your school or worksite.
- A SCS District Covid-19 Case Manager will perform **CONTACT TRACING**.
- **POSITIVE Covid-19** students & employees must **SELF ISOLATE** for **10 DAYS** following the positive test or start of symptoms.
- Students & employees who are a **CONTACT** of a positively tested Covid-19 person must **SELF-ISOLATE/QUARANTINE** for **14 DAYS**.
- Students & employees may **NOT RETURN** to their school/worksite early with a **NEGATIVE Covid-19 Test**.
- Students & employees may **ONLY RETURN** to their school/worksite **AFTER** a **Self-Isolation/Quarantine** period and **improvement** of symptoms.
- Students & employees **MUST** contact the **Health Department** at **941-861-2873** and receive a **Return to School/Work Clearance** prior their return.
- **STUDENTS** must bring the **Return to School Clearance** with them to school.
- **STAFF** must bring the **Return to Work Clearance** to their supervisor.

Weather Provisions

Weather will be monitored 24 hrs in advance for possible situations that would keep sailors from being outside and in a more crowded space

- Rainy day activities can safely be conducted in the VYBA classroom if doors are able to remain open, to wait out short rainstorms or light or too heavy wind.
- The Director may cancel daily sessions if the weather is predicted to be severe or if the chance of rain is 80% or higher for the entirety of the daily session, the session can be canceled by 7pm the night before to avoid a large group of sailors being stuck in indoor classrooms for extended periods. No refunds will be given for severe weather days except as noted in the refund policy.

Media Response

All media and interview requests will be directed ONLY to the Executive Director or the Chair of the Board VYBA.

Refund Policy

- If the session has already started, no refund will be issued for illness or any other reason per the VYBA Refund policy
- If a weekly session has 3 or more days of cancellations due to weather, refunds may be issued on a daily prorate for those days missed.
- If a session is canceled because of government health orders, a full refund will be issued.