

Guidelines for COVID-19 and other airborne diseases

Overview: These guidelines are intended to allow the Meeting to hold in-person activities, such as Meeting for Worship, Simple Lunch, First Day School for children and teens, and other community gatherings.

We support the current Center for Disease Control (CDC) recommendations. The CDC has recommended wearing masks, vaccination, ventilation and other strategies. Our group members will continue to monitor the incidences of airborne transmissible viruses in the Baltimore metro area, such as RSV and Influenza virus, in addition to COVID 19. Please see the referred to documents below for up-to-date information, recommendations and resources.

The new guidance is here: <https://www.cdc.gov/respiratory-viruses/guidance/respiratory-virus-guidance.html>

The FAQ is here: <https://www.cdc.gov/respiratory-viruses/guidance/faq.html>

While at Stony Run, it is a matter of making individual decisions and accepting responsibility for them, while being concerned for each other. If you are sick, please stay home. Please be cautious and respect the choices of others.

Meeting for Worship: Enter through the front porch double doors. When one enters the building, masks, hand sanitizer and further information are available on the table in the upper-level hallway. For air movement, the fan in the heating or cooling system runs continuously, drawing circulated air through high efficiency MERV-13 filters. There are air purifiers in the room and the overhead fans turn at minimum speed.

Childcare and First Day School Classes, Assemblies, Juice and Simple Lunch are all operating as usual. In the classrooms and Library, the air conditioning fans will work to clean the air along with air purifiers. During Simple Lunch, the Dining Room doors should remain open and the fan in the west window should be set to Exhaust 1, with the window open.

Outside Groups: For outside groups using the Meeting House, the basic guidelines and air flow practices shall be followed.

These guidelines should help keep the Meeting House safe for in-person gatherings. However, the safest protection against infections and disease is to avoid public places. Any person who comes to the Meeting House is doing so because they have decided to accept the attendant risks. If you want to report a COVID-related incident, please contact Kathy Rogers, phone 443 703-2591 or email Kathy@stonyrunfriends.org.

COVID Guidelines ad-hoc Committee: Adrian Bishop, Bob Breyer (Clerk), Annemiek Wilms Floet, Brian Gamble, Rob Ketron, Larry Reid, and Kathy Rogers, ex officio. Marc Oliver was an active member of the committee until he withdrew from the committee on 3/25/2024.