

Somerville Public Schools

COVID-19 Safety Protocols for In-Person Volunteers

To help protect the health and safety of students, school staff, families, volunteers and the wider school community, volunteers serving in person at any Somerville Public School are required to be fully vaccinated for COVID-19. As a volunteer you must have a placement and schedule confirmed with Somerville Public Schools before entering a school building. Please do not enter school buildings without either a confirmed appointment or confirmed schedule for volunteering in person. Please review the following safety protocols and communicate with your school supervisor about further school site safety requirements.

For more information about safety protocols for SPS staff and students please visit the [Back to School Fall 2021](#) website. These COVID-19 safety protocols will be in place this school year until further notice.

Proof of Full Vaccination for COVID-19

Volunteers serving in-person must provide proof of full vaccination for COVID-19. Directions for providing proof of full COVID-19 vaccination for volunteers are here www.somerville.k12.ma.us/volunteer.

Masking

All staff, students, volunteers and visitors are required to wear a facial mask while indoors. Youth and fully vaccinated adults will not be required to wear a mask outdoors where social distancing is enforced.

Distancing

All indoor spaces and routines will adhere to at least three foot physical distance to reduce risk of transmission. Students and adults are assigned to stable, discrete groups as much as possible.

Screening/Testing

Fully vaccinated adult volunteers are not required to test or screen for COVID-19 through Somerville Public Schools. However, some school sites allow for pool testing in-person volunteers as part of their weekly student and staff pool testing protocols. Please contact your school supervisor to inquire about the possibility of weekly pool testing at your school and consent form for testing.

Wellness Check

Volunteers are asked to conduct a [wellness check](#) prior to each session. Please stay home if you experience any symptoms of COVID-19 or if someone in your household or with whom you've had close contact has COVID-19.

For more information about volunteer requirements visit www.somerville.k12.ma.us/volunteer or contact SPS Volunteer Coordinator Jen Capuano: JCapuano@k12.somerville.ma.us.

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