NWMC Salish Sea Expeditions Day Programs COVID Action Plan

Due to the ever changing nature of COVID-19 and its variants, NWMC will adapt the following policy when needed in order to align with federal, state, and local guidelines and in consultation with our Medical Advisor Team. If you have any questions please contact: Abbie Smith, Salish Sea Expeditions Program Manager abbie@nwmaritime.org

What we are doing to keep you safe:

- Ensuring all staff are fully-vaccinated against COVID-19; including boosters
- Following basic sanitation (frequent hand washing, hand sanitizer, etc.)
- Everyone wears a mask that covers their nose and mouth (except when eating/drinking)
  *There will be times when boat crew will need to communicate without masks to safely operate the vessel*
- Maximizing ventilation in indoor spaces
- Implementing enhanced cleaning protocols on the boat during and in between programs
- All meals and snacks will be eaten outside on deck or on shore

What we ask of Participants:

- Be asymptomatic when boarding
- No students have experienced symptoms of COVID-19, including fever, cough, and shortness of breath in the past 10 days
- Any students previously diagnosed with COVID-19 have subsequently been cleared as non-contagious
- Students and staff will be required to attest that they are asymptomatic and that they have not been exposed to a positive case or presumptive positive

The school will submit the School Official Attestation Form indicating that all participants meet the above requirements.

FAQ’s

Are the staff on board vaccinated?

Yes, all staff on board the Carlyn are fully-vaccinated (including boosters for those eligible).

Where will participants be eating?

Participants will be eating their lunch and snacks outside. Participants are responsible for bringing their own lunch and snacks.
How many participants will be on the boat?
There is a maximum of 30 participants (students plus teacher and chaperones). There will also be six crew members onboard, including a Captain.

How are high contact points handled? Bathroom? Drinking water?
All points of high contact like the bathroom on board will be cleaned morning, mid-day, and evening. Students will bring their own water bottles to use during the trip. If a refill is needed, these water bottles are filled via the sink in the boat’s kitchen galley. One person (who will wash their hands before) fills these water bottles.