

## **COVID-19 Guidance Out of State Travel**

In accordance with the Governor's Order Number 20-12-17-01 regarding out of state travel, each parish and school administration is responsible for establishing a process requiring staff and volunteers at parishes, and both students (attending in person) and staff (working on campus in person) at schools, to notify parish or school leadership if they intend to travel internationally or out of state, other than those states\* specifically exempted from the Governor's Order Number 20-12-17-01. It is recommended this requirement be communicated in writing with employees and volunteers. For students, it is recommended this expectation be included in a student/parent communication.

If employees, volunteers and the parents of the students elect to proceed with this travel, parish and school leadership should advise them that they will be required to meet certain criteria prior to re-entering the parish or school campus, as outlined below:

- **Employees.** Employees who travel out of state are strongly encouraged to immediately get a COVID-19 test. They will be required to quarantine upon their return until they either:
  - provide evidence of a negative rapid test pending the results of a confirmed negative PCR test result for COVID-19 and are asymptomatic; or
  - complete an entire 10 day quarantine and are asymptomatic at the end of the quarantine period.
  - During the quarantine period or period while waiting for test results, employees who are able to telework must do so when required by their supervisors.
  - Employees who choose to not obtain a test for COVID-19 who are unable to telework, must use an appropriate type of accrued leave or be placed on unpaid leave status.
- **Volunteers.** Before being allowed entry, volunteers must also quarantine and provide evidence of a negative rapid test pending the results of a confirmed negative PCR test result for COVID-19 and are asymptomatic; or complete an entire 10-day quarantine and are asymptomatic at the end of the quarantine period.
- **Students.** Any student returning from out-of-state or international travel are strongly encouraged to be tested for COVID-19 promptly upon arrival in Maryland, and required to quarantine upon their return until such time as either they provide evidence of a negative PCR test result and are asymptomatic, or they complete an entire 10-day

quarantine. Arrangements should be made in advance of travel to include the student in virtual learning pending test results.

*\*This travel restriction applies to all States and international destination except, Delaware, Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia, and Washington, DC, regardless of positivity rates or case per one hundred thousand counts.*