

# **HYDE SCHOOL**



## **CHARTING OUR COURSE**

**2021-2022**



## HYDE SCHOOL 2021-2022 CALENDAR

### SUMMER 2021

Monday	May 31-July 9	Summer Session 1
Thursday	July 8	Student Leaders Return
Friday	July 9-August 6	Summer Session 2
Monday	July 12	Summer Leadership Challenge Begins
Saturday-Sunday	August 7-8	Summer Leadership Challenge Family Weekend

### SCHOOL YEAR 2021-2022

Friday	August 27	Seniors Return by 2:00 pm
Monday	August 30	Underclass Students Return
Thursday evening-Sunday	October 14-17	Fall Family Weekend
Tuesday-Thursday	November 16-18	Fall Trimester Exams
Friday	November 19	Students Dismissed for Fall Break
Monday	November 29	Fall Break Ends-All Students Return
Friday	December 17	Students Depart
Monday	January 3	Students Return; Faculty Professional Development
Tuesday-Thursday	March 1-3	Winter Trimester Exams
Friday	March 4	Students Dismissed for Spring Break
Monday	March 21	Students Return; Faculty Professional Development
Tuesday	March 22	Spring Trimester Begins
Thursday evening-Sunday	April 21-24	Spring Family Weekend
Tuesday-Friday	May 24-27	Spring Underclass Final Exams
Saturday	May 28	Class of 2022 Graduation Additional End-of-Year Events TBD

*Please note: all dates are subject to change based on federal, state, and local public health guidance.*

## VACCINATIONS

### Employees

Our employee team is “all in” when it comes to keeping our community safe and healthy. Therefore, Hyde has made the decision to require all employees to receive the COVID-19 vaccine absent an applicable exemption. We believe that having all the adults vaccinated will limit potential exposure to the COVID-19 virus.

### Students

We are **strongly encouraging**, but are not requiring, that all students be fully vaccinated by the start of the school year. We understand that there will be a small number of students who are not vaccinated for COVID-19 and are working to establish protocols to protect these students from contracting the virus. Hyde seeks to be inclusive of all students, yet there may be additional protocols in place to help keep these students and the community safe.

Hyde can assist unvaccinated students with obtaining the COVID-19 vaccine while on campus in the event you would like your student to be vaccinated. If you are interested in arranging a vaccine appointment, please contact Teresa Coffey, RN, Health Center Director at [tcoffey@hyde.edu](mailto:tcoffey@hyde.edu).

## TESTING

We are requiring **all students**, both vaccinated and unvaccinated, to arrive on campus with a **negative COVID-19 PCR** test taken within 72 hours prior to arrival on campus (a rapid PCR test will also satisfy this requirement).

We now have the capacity to test our students both on and off-campus for COVID-19 should the need arise. We are able to offer rapid PCR testing and **unvaccinated** students will be tested on a regular basis. If a student needs to be tested upon arrival, the Hyde School Health Center will be able to administer a rapid PCR test. We ask that you alert Teresa Coffey, RN, Health Center Director, at [tcoffey@hyde.edu](mailto:tcoffey@hyde.edu) ahead of time if you need to be tested when you arrive on campus.

## BASIC PROTOCOLS

- **MASKS:** The entire Hyde School community will wear masks **when indoors**, including in the classroom and while moving through indoor campus spaces, unless students are in their dorms, eating, or outside physically distanced. This requirement will be reassessed on an ongoing basis.
- **TEMPERATURE -- SYMPTOMS -- CONTACT (“TSC”):** Each day, all members of the community, including students and employees will go through a comprehensive

screening process which includes temperature checks, symptom checks, and questions about contact with infected persons or others who may have been exposed to the virus.

### **RESIDENTIAL LIFE**

Residential life continues to be a pivotal Hyde experience, with the dorm as the students' home. In an effort to return to pre-pandemic life, students will resume having roommates and will be able to be in their rooms together unmasked. While the majority of the students will be vaccinated, there will be a commingling of unvaccinated students in the dorm. If parents have questions or preferences about their student's rooming situation, please contact the Dean's Area.

TSC will take place in the dorm each morning. Students will have their temperature checked by a faculty member or a member of the Health Center staff and symptoms of the virus will be reported to the Health Center. Along with individual cleaning, bathrooms will have enhanced cleaning protocols by a professional cleaning service.

You may direct your questions regarding residential life to Pam Bertschy at [pbertschy@hyde.edu](mailto:pbertschy@hyde.edu) or Sean Condon at [scondo@hyde.edu](mailto:scondo@hyde.edu).

### **CAMPUS VISITORS**

Once students are back on campus, we will limit the flow of outside visitors until we know more about the spread of the variants. Decisions will be made regarding campus visitors based on the prevailing public health guidelines. We understand there may be times parents would like to visit their student on campus. If you would like to do so, you may be asked to spend time with your student outdoors. Parents will also be welcome to attend outdoor sporting events. Requests for campus visits should be cleared through the Dean of Students Office by contacting Sydney Wall, Assistant to the Dean of Students at [swall@hyde.edu](mailto:swall@hyde.edu).

### **CLEANING PROTOCOLS**

Hyde School's Facilities staff has been thoroughly trained in cleaning, sanitizing, and disinfecting best practices related to COVID-19. The team has developed a comprehensive cleaning and sanitation system to reduce the risk of transmission of the disease. We have invested in cleaning products recommended by the FDA and CDC and equipment to aid in regular cleaning and frequent sanitation of common surfaces. Protocols include frequent cleaning of high-touch areas, increased availability of hygiene supplies, and additional cleaning procedures for residential bathroom facilities.

## CONTAINMENT AND TREATMENT

If a student tests positive for COVID-19, the student's **Individualized COVID-19 Care Plan** will be put into place. This plan, outlining the family's desired course of action in the event of diagnosis, is **required** to be completed prior to the student's arrival on campus. The form will be provided in the coming days.

Students who are vaccinated and test positive for COVID-19 may have the option to convalesce on campus in the Hyde Renewal Center.

You may direct your questions regarding containment and treatment protocols to Teresa Coffey, RN, Health Center Director, at [tcoffey@hyde.edu](mailto:tcoffey@hyde.edu).

## HYDE'S COVID-19 RESPONSE TASK FORCE

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