



**BUILDING JEWISH COMMUNITY  
IN THE NORTH HILLS**

In accordance with Temple Ohav Shalom's COVID-19 Protocol procedures, the following are our protocols for admittance to the building, and events and worship services at Temple Ohav Shalom.

Please note that this plan is subject to change at any time upon the recommendation of the TOS COVID-19 Task Force.

#### Vaccination Policy

Vaccinations are not mandatory. However, all congregants are highly encouraged to be up-to-date on their COVID-19 and annual influenza vaccinations[HLH1] .

#### Mask Policy

Masking is not mandatory. However, congregants should feel free to mask according to their risk tolerance, particularly during times of medium or high community levels of transmission. Please consult the CDC website for guidance.

#### Background

We are in a new phase of the pandemic, in which individuals have substantial control over their own risk of acquiring COVID-19 and having a severe outcome, such as hospitalization or death. Therefore, immunization and masking mandates are not as necessary as they were earlier in the pandemic. Measures that individuals can take to control their risk include:

1. Getting fully vaccinated against COVID-19, which includes a bi-valent booster if eligible, as well as any future ACIP/CDC recommendations.
2. Avoiding crowded places if you're immunocompromised, otherwise vulnerable, and/or feel uncomfortable.
3. Wearing a high-quality mask when in crowded places indoors or outdoors
4. Contact your healthcare provider for possible treatment if you become infected, particularly if you are in a high-risk category.