

Inland Empire Gymnastics Academy

COVID-19 HEALTH & SAFETY PROTOCOL UPDATES

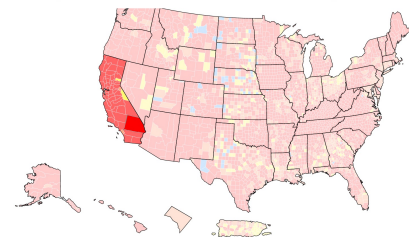
March 1, 2022

IEGA is aware of the change in masking requirements for California schools, which will go into effect on March 11, HOWEVER we request your continued patience as we work through what this might mean for us and our student population which ranges from 18 months to 18 years. **Until further notice, all students, staff and parents entering our business must continue to wear masks while indoors.** Please see below for additional information and for our general plan for returning to a “new” normal.

Why will masking continue as IEGA?

While everyone ages 5 and older is now able to be vaccinated for COVID-19, San Bernardino County continues to lag behind much of the rest of California. As of February 26, only 56.8% of residents are fully vaccinated (California as a whole is 70.4%) and, according to the CDC website, transmission rates in our county continue to be rated as high, which means masking continues to be highly recommended (2/28/2022). Here at IEGA, though we do not ask vaccination status, an informal survey of our competitive team members seems to indicate that our in-gym vaccination rate probably lies somewhere between 30%-40%, which is extremely low, and, with 15% of our student population still not able to be vaccinated (4 & under), we believe that it is important to continue with most of our current the health and safety protocols.

Level of Community Transmission in San Bernardino County, California



While children, regardless of vaccination status, may be less likely to be symptomatic for COVID-19, they are still at risk for contracting the virus and/or, unknowingly, being a carrier and taking it home to their family members. Therefore, for the time being, face masks will continue to be mandatory for all staff, students and parents, covering both nose and mouth, and inside viewing remains limited to one adult only for children enrolled in our preschool/kinder classes. Please remember that if anyone in your household is showing any COVID-19 or flu-like symptoms, consider getting tested and keeping your student at home until you receive a negative result. Makeup classes are available each month to accommodate missed classes.

When will things change at IEGA?

Though at this time we do not have specific dates, we have developed a general timeline for easing up on our health and safety protocols. While we know that we cannot return to the former days of a jam-pack waiting room, we also know that we do not have the staffing capabilities to check the vaccination status of every person who wants to enter IEGA. Therefore, we need a realistic plan for moving to optional masking and eventually increasing the number of visitors in the building.

General Timeline for a Return to a NEW Normal at IEGA

Phase 1 - March 1

- IEGA will continue curbside check in for our students, however we will eliminate temp checks and health & wellness questions, relying on our families to do those things prior to arriving for class.
- Face masks will continue to be required for all students, staff and parents entering the building.

Phase 2 - Date To Be Determined

- Masks for students will be optional, but highly recommended, unless directed otherwise by the California Department of Public Health and/or the CDC.
- Face masks will continue to be required for all staff and parents entering the building.
- Inside viewing will remain limited to one adult only for children enrolled in our preschool/kinder classes

Phase 3 - Date To Be Determined

- Masks for students will be optional, but recommended, unless directed otherwise by the California Department of Public Health and/or the CDC.
- Face masks for fully vaccinated staff will be optional, but recommended. All unvaccinated staff must continue to mask.
- Face masks will continue to be required for any parents entering the building.
- Inside viewing will remain limited to one adult only for children enrolled in our preschool/kinder classes.

Phase 4 - Date To Be Determined

- Masks for all students and all staff will be optional, but recommended, unless directed otherwise by the California Department of Public Health and/or the CDC.
- IEGA will eliminate curbside check and parents will bring their students directing to the gym entrance door to be checked in for class.
- Face masks will continue to be required for any parents entering the building.
- Inside viewing will remain limited to one adult only for children enrolled in our preschool/kinder classes.

Phase 5 – Date To Be Determined

- Masks for all students and all staff will be optional, but recommended, unless directed otherwise by the California Department of Public Health and/or the CDC.
- Face masks will continue to be required for any visitors entering the building.
- Inside viewing numbers will be increased. Process for this is still to be determined.