

Chincoteague Bay Field Station (CBFS) COVID-19/Illness Protocols

Education Programs

- All members of CBFS staff are required to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19.
- Masks are optional in CBFS vehicles, classrooms, and housing areas.
- Living Quarters
 - Wearing a mask is now optional at CBFS. It is up to the parents and students' comfort to wear masks in common and living spaces.
- Each group will have designated tables in the dining hall denoted by signs. Participants are only permitted to sit at their designated tables and practice social distancing as much as possible.
- If students exhibit any symptoms of illness, parents/guardians will be contacted and depending on the severity of symptoms, they may be tested and/or quarantined. If illness doesn't subside within 24 hours the student must be picked up.
- Depending on nature and severity of symptoms, students may be required to quarantine until parents/guardians are able to pick them up.
- Anyone who tests positive for COVID-19 or other communicable diseases will be sent home immediately. NO EXCEPTIONS!
- Illness that may result in immediate removal from campus:
 - Fever that persists for more than 24 hours
 - Persistent diarrhea and vomiting
 - Signs of highly contagious diseases (i.e, strep throat and the flu)
 - Pink eye
 - Rashes that persist for more than 24 hours
 - Obvious signs of infection
 - Any other signs and symptoms of communicable diseases at the discretion of CBFS staff
- CBFS will deep clean the residence hall between sessions and will clean frequently used areas at least once a week.
- Social distancing is practiced as much as possible on campus.
- Shared equipment, common surfaces, and vehicles will be sanitized after each use.