



Sitka School District Travel Protocols

The Sitka School District (SSD) Travel Protocols relate to COVID-19 quarantine and testing for out-of-state and in-state travel for SSD staff and students. The Sitka School Board and district administration are requiring these protocols to prevent the spread of the COVID-19 virus in school buildings and the community due to travel.

Travel Protocols, currently in effect, have been updated to reflect the new availability of in-school testing during the 2021-22 school year.

Out-of-State Travel – Negative test required four days after travel, or quarantine for 10 days

All **unvaccinated staff and students** traveling out of Alaska for more than 72 hours are recommended to test at the airport upon returning to Sitka. Upon returning, staff and students should follow strict social distancing protocols (including not entering a school building) until receiving a negative test **four days** after returning from travel. Staff and students can test at their school on Day 4 as long as they are symptom-free. Ten-day quarantine is required if no testing completed.

All **fully vaccinated staff and students** (fully vaccinated means that the individual has received both COVID-19 vaccinations and the travel is taking place two weeks after the 2nd dose has been administered) are not required to quarantine after travel. Fully vaccinated staff and students are **still recommended to test** in their school using a rapid test on Day 4.

In-State Travel

Testing at the airport upon arriving back in Sitka is highly recommended for all travelers. Staff and students are also recommended to test in their school on Day 4 as long as they are symptom-free.

Where to send test results:

Staff should send their negative test result to Chris Voron at voronc@sitkaschools.org
Students should send their negative test result to the building principal.

If a staff member or student **has already tested positive and completed their 10-day isolation protocol** and need to travel in the next 90 days, complete the form below from Public Health to turn into your supervisor or building:

http://dhss.alaska.gov/dph/Epi/id/SiteAssets/Pages/HumanCoV/COVID%20Notice%20of%20Release%20From%20Isolation%20Letter_fillable.pdf

Questions about COVID travel protocols?

Contact the district office at 747-8622, or email Chris Voron at voronc@sitkaschools.org