



## Massachusetts COVID-19 Travel Advisory Update

At the beginning of the 2020-2021 school year, Covenant's Board of Directors made the decision to meet or exceed the COVID-19 safety guidelines required by the State of Massachusetts. This document seeks to provide clarity, based on the Governor's March 22, 2021 updates, on one particular requirement that we receive frequent questions around, **The Massachusetts COVID-19 Travel Advisory**. Effective Monday, March 22, the Massachusetts Travel Order will be replaced with a Travel Advisory:

It is our sincere desire to implement safety measures as a school that help mitigate risk and keep our entire community safe. It is in this spirit that we have chosen to follow these State Guidelines within our school community. We ask that, as a member of our community, you choose to willingly comply with these recommendations as a way of prioritizing the good of the community. Thank you.

### **Massachusetts Travel Advisory:**

**As of Monday, March 22, all visitors entering Massachusetts, including returning residents, are advised to quarantine for 10 days upon their arrival.**

**Travelers are exempt from this advisory if they have a negative COVID-19 test result that has been administered up to 72 hours prior to their arrival in Massachusetts.** If not obtained before entry to Massachusetts, a test may be obtained after arrival, as long as travelers quarantine until a negative test result has been received.

**Anyone who is returning to Massachusetts after an absence of fewer than 24 hours is exempt from this advisory.**

Workers who enter Massachusetts to perform critical infrastructure functions (as specified by the Federal Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency) are exempt from this advisory while they are commuting to or from or while at work.

Travelers who are fully vaccinated (i.e. who have received two doses of either the Moderna or Pfizer COVID-19 vaccines OR who have received a single dose of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine, 14 days or more ago) and who do not have symptoms are exempt from this advisory.

Travelers are encouraged to consult and follow the CDC's guidelines and requirements for travel.

### **A few points of helpful clarification:**

1. As mentioned above, CCA will continue to adhere to the MA COVID-19 Travel Advisory. Since the travel order and exemptions are subject to updates, please read the most recent version at <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-travel-order>

2. CCA will not require the submission of testing results or the logging of travel plans, but strongly encourages our community members to follow the recommendations of the state for the good of our community. CCA students traveling outside of MA, who do not meet an exemption, are encouraged to produce a negative PCR COVID-19 test (or complete a 10 day quarantine) before returning to campus. Test results can be emailed directly to our school nurse, Christen Ashley: [school.nurse@ccamail.org](mailto:school.nurse@ccamail.org). **Stop the Spread** sites are recommended for PCR testing as they are free with a fast turnaround time.
3. In accordance with the CDC's policy for International travel, all air passengers coming to the United States, including U.S. citizens, are required to have a negative COVID-19 test result or documentation of recovery from COVID-19 before they board a flight to the United States. If the school becomes aware of any violations, we have an obligation to ensure that this requirement, including testing or quarantine, are met prior to return to in-person learning.
4. Please see the mass.gov website for details about current exemptions