

COVID-19 Mitigation Plan

The Alaska Out-of-School Time Conference is continuing to closely monitor COVID-19 and the impact it may have on the 2023 Alaska Out-of-School Time Conference. This year's event is scheduled to be held in-person in Anchorage, AK. As an attendee, your safety and well-being are our number one priority. We strongly encourage attendees to be up to date on their COVID-19 vaccinations.

Conference staff will implement the following best practices:

- We will implement the health and safety practices as issued by local and state health authorities, the venue, and the Centers for Disease Control (CDC).
- We will encourage frequent hand washing, sanitizing and social distancing.
- As of August 2023, masks will be optional but encouraged for attendees. Masks may become mandatory, pending rise in COVID-19 levels. This is subject to change as COVID level fluctuate. Masks will be provided at the registration desk.
- Hand sanitizer stations will be placed throughout the conference venue.
- A limited number of rapid antigen tests will be available at the registration desk.

If you are displaying symptoms of COVID-19 and have recently been exposed to anyone who tested positive, we ask that you do not attend the conference. If you cannot attend due to COVID-19, your registration will be fully refunded. If you test positive while you are in Anchorage, please inform Alaska Afterschool Network conference team immediately (Anna McGovern at 413-627-0311 or Thomas Azzarella at 907-602-0569) and isolate in your home or hotel room.

Conference co-hosts, the Department of Health (DOH), the Department of Early Education and Development (DEED) and the Alaska Afterschool Network, will continue to monitor the public health guidelines per the CDC and the State of Alaska. Policies and procedures are subject to change to ensure safety. We will communicate any such changes to meeting participants accordingly. If COVID-19 conditions warrant, the event will be cancelled and converted to a virtual online conference at date to be determined.