

Guidelines for Mountain View Buddhist Temple On Campus Activities

In effect as of August 9, 2023. All guidelines will be re-evaluated periodically as needed.

The stated values of the Mountain View Buddhist Temple places emphasis on ensuring the safety of our community and taking responsibility as individuals to look out for our collective well-being. As a response to the COVID-19 pandemic, our temple took specific measures to ensure the health and welfare of our Sangha, including investing in improving ventilations systems in our Hondo and meeting spaces, purchase and installation of touch-less plumbing and technology that supported virtual and hybrid gatherings.

We are guided by the recommendations by the [Centers for Disease Control](#) (CDC) and County of Santa Clara Health Department [Guidelines](#) for Covid, which are aligned with the California Department of Public Health Guidelines.

****Note:** while the following offers general guidelines, individual affiliated organizations and/or event organizers might choose to have more restrictive (but not less restrictive) protocols in place based on the needs of those attending ******

ATTENDANCE AT MVBT

All attendees to any event on MVBT Campus should adhere to the following,

- Do not come to Temple Campus if you have had fever within 24 hours, or if you have exhibited symptoms of COVID-19 or other infectious diseases in the past 24 hours.
- If you personally have had a positive case of Covid, only return to Temple Campus after at least five days and a negative Covid test.

VACCINATIONS & MASKING

- Vaccinations and boosters are NOT REQUIRED, but STRONGLY RECOMMENDED for all attendees on the Campus of the Temple.
- Masks are RECOMMENDED in the Hondo, classrooms and Temple Office or other indoor activities

USE OF CLASSROOMS/TEMPLE FACILITIES

- Reservations must be made through the Building Activities Committee (BAC) for all groups
- Maximum ventilation or airflow devices should be utilized if available. Spaces in the Education building will continue to use air purifiers during gatherings/classes.

FOOD PREPARATION AND SERVICE

- Masks are RECOMMENDED for all those preparing food as well as adherence to current safe food handling guidelines such as wearing hairnets/caps and use of food safe gloves.

HONDO GUIDELINES

- Masks are RECOMMENDED when attending services or activities in the HONDO as well as any other indoor activities
- Chanting and Singing will be permitted during any service.
- HVAC to be turned on for ventilation, HVAC has been updated with ultraviolet light filters.
- Hand sanitizers will be in the Hondo's lobby and the front of the Geijin for optional use following Oshoko.

Adopted by the Mountain View Buddhist Temple Board of Directors August 9, 2023.

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