
Illinois Phase 5 - guidelines for SMRLD

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With Illinois now in Phase 5, and continuing to follow CDC guidelines, the following requirements are in place for SMRLD staff and customers:

SMRLD staff who are **not** fully vaccinated:

- * Must continue to wear proper face masks covering both the nose and mouth at all times in all areas in the libraries

ALL SMRLD staff:

- * Must continue to wear masks (over both nose and mouth) in all spaces in public view
- * Must continue to stay home when sick
- * No longer have to fill in the self-monitoring form
- * Any staff member sick with COVID-like symptoms, whether vaccinated or not, will need to have a Negative COVID-19 test result before returning to work. This is in line with CDC guidelines.

We continue to request customers wear masks while in the library - there has been no change in customer masking. The information from the May 19th email regarding mask wearing by the public remains in place. The signs remain in place regarding masking. Anyone in the youth services areas must wear masks as children under 12 years of age still have no access to a vaccine.

There is still no programming at Johnson Road; the building does not lend itself to safe distancing for programs. Additionally, to minimize confusion we will stick to the plans that have been publicized.

Erica will determine what level of attendance limitations must be in place for registered youth programs.

There are no longer limits on how many people can be in each building and each area. However, the time limits on computer use and the limited number of computers available remain in place. Furniture will begin to be put back in place at Delmar Avenue; Johnson Road no longer has open areas for the return of furniture (those areas are being utilized). Magazines and newspapers will be available at both locations as they are received at the libraries.

Please let your manager or me know of your concerns, suggestions, and/or questions.

Thank you,
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