

Campus COVID-19 Update

January 14, 2022

Due to the high rate of COVID transmission in our community and the confirmed report of positive cases at the Kids Campus, UNM-Taos has made the decision to temporarily suspend operations at the Kids Campus for the week of Monday, January 17-Friday, January 21, 2022.

UNM-Taos Kids Campus standards of COVID Safe Practices continue to exceed the current protocols outlined by UNM/UNM-Taos, the NM Department of Health, and Early Childhood Education and Care Department—the ECECD protocols being the strictest of all agencies, given the vulnerable nature of the population. The decision to close is not an easy one, as we understand the impact of childcare has on families that work and/or go to school during the day, but we feel this decision is in the best interest of the health and safety of our children, families, staff, and community-at-large. While the closure is not a requirement of ECECD, UNM-Taos Kids Campus received support from ECECD to make the decision to do so.

During the next week, Kids Campus, UNM-Taos, and ECECD will monitor the situation within our community and the state and work in collaboration to determine a reopening date. Updates will be provided as they become available.

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we adapt to the evolving status of the coronavirus. UNM-Taos extends our deepest wishes for full recovery to everyone in our community that is experiencing illness or has been otherwise impacted by the virus, and we encourage continued diligence in strict covid safe practices to mitigate the ongoing spread in our community.

For more information on ECECD COVID Policies, visit https://www.nmececd.org/covid-19/

For information on UNM's COVID Policies, visit **UNM Bringing Back the Pack**