



JBLM COVID-19 Response Factsheet (BLUE HASH)



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Pierce County CDC COVID-19 Community Level: MEDIUM

Yakima County CDC COVID-19 Community Level: LOW

COVID-19

- COVID-19 Vaccinations (COVAX) hotline: (253) 968-4744.
- Madigan COVID Testing Tent is across from the Madigan ER. It is open 6 a.m. to 2 p.m., M – F and 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Saturday & Sunday.
- Madigan is testing ALL symptomatic personnel (Active Duty SMs, Beneficiaries and DoD Civilians/Contractors). Madigan will continue to test asymptomatic individuals that are 1) scheduled for a procedure/ surgery, 2) scheduled for official DoD travel that requires testing, and 3) needing a test for return to school purposes. All must have their DOD ID number (including children) when presenting for a test.
- Units are encouraged to arrange for any deployment related testing within their unit footprint. Follow guidance in I Corps OPORD 22-156.
- Masks are now optional throughout the area and on JBLM. HOWEVER, masks will continue to be REQUIRED indoors at healthcare (including dental clinics) facilities, to include all Madigan buildings and regardless of vaccination status.
- Madigan is no longer distributing antigen-based COVID-19 home test kits. Free home test kits are available at <https://www.covid.gov/tests>.
- DoD personnel at JBLM will follow Blue Hash protocols for Pierce County; DoD personnel at YTA will follow Blue Hash protocols for Yakima County.

Joint Base Lewis-McChord

- Madigan urgently needs blood donations due to COVID-19 positive restrictions on normal supply sources. Individuals can donate blood by calling (253) 968-1850 to schedule. The blood bank's website is: <https://madigan.tricare.mil/Clinics/Armed-Services-Blood-Bank-Center-PNW>
- Effective 20 January 2022, the Republic of Korea changed PCR testing requirements from 72 to 48 hours prior to flight. Non-compliance will result in Soldier and Family members being denied entry into Korea and could place SMs in a hardship situation.
- Isolation and Quarantine Guidance can be found in the JBLM COVID-19 DSM - 2022_03_18.
- The CDC Community Level for Pierce and Yakima Counties can be checked at: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/your-health/covid-by-county.html>. These CDC COVID-19 Community Levels will be updated in the Blue Hash as needed. IAW CDC and DoD guidance, implement the following procedures based upon current CDC community levels:
 - When CDC COVID-19 Community Level for Pierce/Yakima County rises to HIGH—indoor/public transportation mask wearing is required for vaccinated and unvaccinated, weekly screening tests for unvaccinated personnel is required for access to DoD facilities.
 - When CDC COVID-19 Community Level for Pierce/Yakima County is MEDIUM—indoor mask wearing is not required (EXCEPTIONS WHERE MASKS ARE STILL REQUIRED: Military Treatment Facilities, Public Transportation and for all adults in CYS facilities), weekly screening tests for unvaccinated personnel required for access to DoD facilities.
 - When CDC COVID-19 Community Level for Pierce/Yakima County drops to LOW—indoor mask wearing is not required (EXCEPTIONS WHERE MASKS ARE STILL REQUIRED: Military Treatment Facilities and Public Transportation), screening testing for unvaccinated personnel is not required for access to DoD facilities.
 - NOTE: Updated masking guidance does not apply to Madigan or other MTFs. Regardless of Community Level, mask wear continues to be required when presenting for medical care. All personnel can choose to continue masking based upon their individual preference.
 - Current Pierce and Yakima County COVID-19 Community Levels are updated by the CDC weekly -- accordingly masking/facility access policies are subject to change.
- Common facilities (Army DFACs, On-base restaurants, Exchanges, Commissary, MWR facilities, Warrior Zone, gyms, retail facilities, religious services, Waller Hall and all training in indoor classrooms, etc.) are authorized to operate at 100% capacity. Future Community Transmission Levels will inform adjustments to occupancy capacities. CYS facilities continue to operate at 100% capacity.
- While there has been a recent Federal Judge ruling striking down the Federal Mask mandate on civilian public transportation, the Consolidated DoD COVID-19 FHP guidance still applies for DOD transportation assets. The Consolidated DoD COVID-19 FHP Guidance, published 4 APR 22 in HQDA's FRAGORD 20 to the COVID Steady State Order directs the Army to comply with the directions within the FHP guidance. The FHP guidance articulates that "All individuals, regardless of vaccination status, must wear a mask on DoD transportation assets (e.g., planes, water transport, buses, trains, taxis, and ride-shares)". The guidance can be viewed in its entirety at: <https://www.defense.gov/News/Releases/Release/Article/2991636/consolidated-department-of-defense-coronavirus-disease-2019-force-health-protect/>

Additional Information:

- Madigan and Dental Clinics Facebook Page: [Madigan and Dental Facebook Page](#) JBLM Website: [JBLM Homepage](#) Washington State SchoolStatus Updates: [Washington School District Information](#) MWR CDC/CYS info: [JBLM School & Childcare Information](#)

I Corps (USA)

- Although not mandatory, DoD strongly recommends personnel receive a booster vaccination at the 5 month mark following full vaccination.
- Continue to social distance: limit the numbers of personnel attending in person meetings by maximizing the use of MS Teams, VTC, or teleconference.

Guidance for events:

- When CDC COVID-19 Community Level for Pierce/Yakima County is HIGH – The event is limited to 50 PAX and requires an ETP approved by Office of the Secretary of Defense to exceed 50 PAX. All attendees are required to be fully vaccinated and provide documentation to hosting officials. Unvaccinated attendees must provide a negative COVID-19 test result within 72 hrs of the event. If the event is greater than one week in duration, unvaccinated attendees will provide a weekly negative test result.
- When CDC COVID-19 Community Level for Pierce/Yakima County is MEDIUM – No PAX limit. All attendees are required to be fully vaccinated and provide documentation to hosting officials. Unvaccinated attendees must provide a negative COVID-19 test result within 72 hrs of the event. If the event is greater than one week in duration, unvaccinated attendees will provide a weekly negative test result.
- When CDC COVID-19 Community Level for Pierce/Yakima County is LOW – No PAX limit. Personnel will self-screen and may only attend if they do not have symptoms or exposure to COVID-19 within five days of the event.
- Commanders cannot invite unvaccinated personnel to travel to JBLM to attend meetings or events unless those personnel have an approved ETP from the SECARMY stating their travel is "mission critical."
- Non-DoD witnesses called by either the Government or Defense for a Court-Martial are considered to be accessing DoD facilities for an ad hoc purpose. Vaccination, screening, and verification requirements for visitors to DoD facilities do not apply to non-DoD court-martial witnesses, however all other force health protection requirements remain in effect (i.e., masking).
- Travel procedures
- Chain of Command approves domestic leave/pass travel (US and territories) based upon State/County COVID risk assessment and vaccination status. Note: IAW AR 600-8-10, Army Commanders may limit leave for unvaccinated SM.
- Limit TDY travel to those activities in support of mission and readiness. All TDY travel (OCONUS) approved at the O-6 level or above.
- Travel procedures for unvaccinated Soldiers/DA Civilians: ALL Official Travel requires SECARMY Approval (refer to FRAGO 10 to OPORD 21-474)

62d Airlift Wing (USAF)

- 62 AW/CC email, dtd 26 May 2022, COVID-19 Update
- USecAF Memo, dtd 9 Mar 2022, provides blanket waiver for DAF-sponsored events with less than 250 participants
- 62 AW/CC email, dtd 14 Mar 2022, Updated COVID-19 Guidance and Mask Wear Policy
- 62 AW/CC published Coronavirus 2019 Requirements Memo, dtd 6 January 2022.
- For questions concerning 62 AW COVID-19 call PH, (253) 982-3717. Aircrew contact on-call Flight Surgeon via McChord CP, (253) 982-2635.

