

YGW Travel and Activity Guidelines - Expanded:

The following travel activity by a student or staff member requires a 14 day quarantine OR an 8 day quarantine followed by a subsequent negative covid PCR test:

1. Any international travel
2. Any travel to an area identified as high risk “hotspot” either at the state or county level, as defined by Harvard Global Health (25 cases per 100k, please refer to <https://globalepidemics.org/key-metrics-for-covid-suppression/> for individual state and county data)
3. Any travel in which masks were not worn for the duration of the flight/trip. This applies to travel by public bus and train as well as air travel.

There are many variables that go into determining the safety of a simcha or similar large gathering. The following parameters provide a general guideline for simchas:

1. Does Not Require Quarantine: Outdoor event, 6-feet of distance maintained between guests, masks worn at all times except during eating
2. Does Not Require Quarantine: Indoor event, 6-feet of distance maintained between guests, masks worn at all times except during eating, capacity limits meet local state and county regulations
3. Requires Quarantine: Indoor or outdoor event where there is less than 6 feet of distancing OR no masks OR capacity limit does not meet local state or county regulations

Because of the many factors that are involved in simchas/gatherings and the high variability among events, we ask that you be in contact with the Yeshiva covid team at (email) prior to attending any simcha. Each event will be assessed independently to determine whether and when it is safe for your student to return to in-person school.

See also: Travel, Simchas, and Social Distancing in the YGW COVID FAQ