



## URGENT NOTICE: Enhanced COVID-19 Protocols

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As we continue to see the number of COVID-19 cases rise throughout Kitsap County—including among our community members and staff—the PGST Emergency Command Team has issued enhanced safety protocols, including:

- Masks are required throughout the Tribal campus. They are recommended for everyone in any public space.
- All buildings on the Tribal campus will have their entrances limited.
- Gatherings are restricted to no more than 15 people and limited to PGST community only.
  - S'Klallam Days and Halloween celebrations will be planned, but not in-person.
- Food at any PGST-hosted gathering will be served by staff, individually wrapped, or single serve.
- Essential-only travel is allowed for staff. The same is recommended for community members.
- All PGST and Noo-Kayet Investments (NKI) staff—no matter vaccination status—will test weekly on Wednesdays. Community members are invited to test as well.

These updated protocols are necessary as case numbers steadily rise. Research suggests the Delta variant spreads twice as quickly and may cause more severe illness than previous strains in unvaccinated persons. While breakthrough cases do happen, the greatest risk of transmission is among the unvaccinated.

Help us protect our community:

- Mask up, especially when indoors or when in crowds, even when it isn't required because of vaccination status.
- Wash your hands frequently.
- Keep your social circle small.

Last, but not least...if you're not already, we urge you to get vaccinated. **Vaccinations remain our best tool in the fight against COVID-19.** If you or your unvaccinated family members have concerns, speak to our medical team. They are here to answer all your questions!

Vaccine clinics will be held every Tuesday at the Health Center. Book your appointment at <http://bookpgst.timetap.com>. OR visit any local pharmacy for a NO COST, walk-in appointment. All employees and community members are eligible for the \$200 vaccine incentive.

**We have done exceptionally well at protecting our community.  
Let's continue to protect our loved ones as best we can!**