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CONGREGATION SHIR SHALOM | *Song of Peace*

UNION OF MONTEBELLO JEWISH CENTER  
AND NANUET HEBREW CENTER

Dear Fellow Congregants,

On November 1, 2021, The COVID Committee met to discuss current and future protocols with respect to the health and welfare of our congregation. Looking at the past twelve months, it appears that the overall statistics are looking better. According to the Rockland County Board of Health, there were 184 new COVID cases with zero deaths a year ago. This year, on the same date, the number of new cases dropped significantly to fifty new cases with zero deaths. Based on the improving trends, yet with the possibility of a post-holiday spike (as we have seen in the past year), The COVID Committee has put forth the following protocols:

- Masking will continue indoors, for everyone .
- Masking will be mandatory in the office.
- Protocols for conducting Shabbat services will continue as is.
- Shabbat Kiddushim will not be provided as under the current protocols.
  - Individually wrapped cakes and cookies will continue to be served.
- Makom students may unmask, in their classrooms, for snack.
- All staff must be vaccinated or, if not, must produce a weekly negative COVID test result.

These protocols will be reevaluated following the winter holidays and will be updated (if needed) by the middle of January.

Respectfully submitted,

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