

COVID Protocols August 2021

1. **Masks:** Masks are mandated for all vaccinated and unvaccinated staff and students while indoors. Masks will need to be worn by all students on school buses per a federal mandate.
2. **Optional NTI:** This service will not be offered during the 2021-22 school year. Students who must quarantine will be able to access their work through Google Classroom and SeeSaw. All other work can be made up per the policy for absences in the school handbook.
3. **Disinfecting and Hygiene:**
 - Students will wash hands or use hand sanitizer often throughout the school day. All classrooms will be provided with gloves, hand sanitizer, and surface sanitizing spray and wipes.
 - Students will need to bring a refillable water bottle each day.
4. **Disinfecting and Deep Cleaning:**
 - Janitorial service and maintenance staff will follow a daily schedule of sanitizing and deep cleaning of shared spaces and high touch areas.
 - School staff will be responsible for daily cleaning of desks and tables.
 - All shared materials and equipment will be sanitized after each use.
 - Deep cleaning will be done after any confirmed case of COVID.
5. **COVID Case Protocol:**
 - All students and staff who exhibit COVID symptoms are asked to stay home and are strongly encouraged to seek a doctor's care and be tested for COVID.
 - Anyone who undergoes a COVID test must stay home until the negative results are received.
 - Staff or students who are diagnosed with COVID, or who have been in close contact with someone who has COVID, must notify Mrs. Sims.
 - If there is a confirmed case, the Health Department and the Archdiocese will be notified. Contact tracing will be done through the Health Department. Directives for quarantine, testing, and possible classroom or school closures will be determined by the Health Department.
 - If there is a confirmed case at school, parents will be notified.
 - Staff and students will be able to return to school once they are cleared by the Health Department.

6. **Lunch and Recess:**

- All students will eat lunch in the cafeteria this year. We have added extra tables and spaced students out per the guidelines.
- Students will have assigned seats.
- Sanitizing will occur between groups.
- During outdoor recess, students will not need to wear masks. They will be able to mix within the grade level at recess.

7. **Social Distancing:**

- Students will have assigned seating in classrooms and in the cafeteria.
- Whenever possible, students will be seated 3 feet apart facing in the same direction or within a small table group.
- Teachers can hold outdoor classes when feasible.
- Students will rotate to their Special Area classes. For all other subjects, the teachers will rotate.
- Lockers will be used with designated and staggered locker break times.

8. **Carpool- Arrival and Dismissal:**

- Buses will drop off and pick up in front of school each day. Students will be dismissed by bus number.
- All morning car riders will go to the rear of school for drop off beginning at 7:30 AM. Students will enter through the Breezeway or the K doors. Students who arrive by car prior to 7:30 AM need to be dropped off in front of school.
- Prior to 7:30 AM, students will go to the cafeteria. At 7:30 AM, they will be able to go to their homerooms.
- Afternoon carpool will line up in the rear of the school. Families will be assigned a color based upon last name. Car tags must be displayed. The drivers are expected to line up in their color area. We will rotate which color exits the lot first midway through the school year. Students will be dismissed from the building by their assigned color.

Yellow: A- G

Red: H-O

Blue: P-Z

- Students will come to the cars. Parents should remain in their vehicles.

9. Student Services and Accommodations:

- Small group tutoring and Reading Lab will occur with social distancing and sanitizing of space and resources.
- Meetings will be held virtually whenever possible.

10. Visitors:

- Visitors to the school building will be allowed on a limited basis only.
- Visitors to the parish office will not be given access to the main school building.
- It is recommended that all unvaccinated visitors wear a mask.
- All visitors will check in with the school office and wear a nametag.