

HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC SCHOOL 2021-22 SAFETY PROTOCOLS OUTLINE

8-23-21

Screening:

- Parents must carefully monitor their student's health and screen daily for symptoms of COVID-19, including temperature checks. Staff must also self-monitor before coming to school each day.
- If a student or staff member has not been screened, we are able to accommodate a screening in the front office.
- Students and staff are not to be in school if they have any symptoms or a temperature of 100.4 or above. Symptoms must be reported to the main office.

Morning Student Drop Off and Entry:

- The drop off locations will continue to be the same (preschool = east door of CDC; daycare=west door of CDC; young 5's and kindergarten = north door of school; 1st – 8th grade=south side of school in wagon train).
- Rather than 1st -8th all coming in the same door at 8:15, we will be utilizing three entry points.

Visitors, Parents, and Volunteers in Building:

- Only essential staff, students, and visitors will be allowed in the school building. Visitors will be subject to a COVID screen and must obtain permission to enter the building.
- If a parent is picking up a child for an appointment during the school day, please call the front office when you arrive.

Mass:

- We will have all-school Mass on Fridays at 8:30 AM.
- Students will be seated by grade and socially distanced.

Classroom Modifications:

- Seating will be spread out as much as possible to accommodate the number of students in that class.
- Students will have assigned seating in each classroom.
- Physical distancing will be followed, as practical and to the extent possible given the space available, the age of students and the learning activity.
- Windows will be open for ventilation as long as the weather allows.

- Students will stay in the same classroom if at all possible. We will limit student movement in the upper elementary and middle school by having teachers move each period if possible.
- Students will not be allowed to share materials unless they have been sanitized between uses.

Vaccination and Personal Protective Equipment:

- The Kent County Health Department has ordered that people who are at least four-years-old and in pre-kindergarten through grade six must consistently and properly wear a facial covering while inside any enclosed building or structure of the institution.
- Furthermore, all persons providing service to any of the above mentioned students must consistently and properly wear a facial covering while inside any enclosed building or structure of the institution.
- Holy Spirit and the MDHHS/KCHD/CDC recommend universal indoor masking and vaccination against COVID-19.
- All persons are required to wear a mask when riding a school bus, including on field trips.
- Masks must be a solid color and be free of any wording, caricature, drawings, etc.

Hygiene and Sanitation:

- Students will be shown the proper handwashing technique using soap and water for at least twenty seconds.
- Students and staff will wash their hands at least every three hours.
- Hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol will be available throughout the building.
- Desks will be cleaned at each class exchange when the change involves a different student sitting at a desk.
- Drinking fountains will be closed except for the water bottle refill stations.
- Birthday treats/food sharing will not be allowed until further notice.

Contact Tracing and Quarantining:

- Contact tracing, in combination with isolation and quarantine, will be conducted. This will be performed in collaboration with the Kent County Health Department.

Lunch and Recess:

- We will have staggered lunch periods in the cafeteria with all students socially distanced in an assigned seat for contact tracing purposes.
- Tables will be sanitized between each lunch period.
- Hot lunch will be available, but the salad bar will be closed.
- Recess will also be staggered with a maximum of 75 students outside at a time.

Spanish/Art/Music/Phys. Ed/Computers Classes:

- These classes will continue to operate under the safety parameters of the core courses.

After School Dismissal:

- The pickup locations will continue to be the same (preschool=front of CDC; young 5's and kindergarten=north door of school in AM/south door in PM; 1st – 8th grade=south side of school).
- We will utilize three exit points as opposed to the two we normally use.

Athletics/Extracurriculars:

- Holy Spirit Athletics will be following the guidelines issued by GRACEAC. All other extracurricular activities must obtain school approval before starting.