

# St. Mary's Return To School Summary

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## Instruction

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**Students will choose from two options for instruction this year.** Both options are synchronous, meaning the students will meet together in a live session and follow our regular school schedule.

**If a family chooses the in-person instruction option,** students will meet as we traditionally have on campus 7:45-3:00.

**If a family chooses the remote learning (virtual learning) option,** students will sign in and connect via WebEx to their assigned class. Students are required to be logged in at the beginning of every class and participate as they would if they were on campus.

\* More information will be shared with families closer to the start of school

**All School Mass** students will be attending Mass on a bi-weekly basis to adhere to the 20% Church capacity gathering restrictions. One week will be 4th -8th grade and the next will be K-3rd grade.

**Band will still occur** but will meet in an alternative location with a change in procedures.

**Choir may be added at a later date**



## Health & Wellness

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**Symptom checks:** We will perform "Wellness Checks" daily of all students and staff upon entering the building. Any person with a temperature over 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit will be sent home.

\* Response to student & staff with COVID symptoms is included in diocesan plan.

**Students and staff will have to wear masks throughout the day and socially distance** (when possible). Masks can be removed when outdoors (and socially distanced) during lunch and band. We were able to get all desks 6ft apart in the classrooms, so when sitting at their desks and working silently they will be able to remove their masks. Teachers will also utilize outdoor learning spaces when possible.

\* It is highly recommended that students bring at least 2 masks to school. Students will be encouraged to change their mask halfway through the day.

**Enhanced cleaning protocols** have been added to the detailed cleaning schedule for cleaning and sanitizing of the entire school.

**Hand cleaning protocols** Hand sanitizer will be readily available as well as proper hand washing opportunities in the classrooms.

**Clear procedures for quarantining students with symptoms on campus** (COVID dedicated room / space), protocols established for sick students and return-to-school protocols aligned with health department regulations and procedures.

**More detailed information gathered from parents regarding symptoms,** etc. when a student is absent for illness.

**Training for all staff** for the latest COVID restrictions and guidelines.



## Arrival and Dismissal

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**Students arrival and departure times and procedures will be modified**, so all students and staff will be temperature checked and asked a set of COVID health questions before entering school. Students will enter and go directly to their homerooms if they are below 100.4 degrees and no risk factors.

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## Food Service

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**Breakfast & Lunches** will be provided in the cafeteria to adhere to the 50 person gathering restrictions.

**Lunch options are modified.** We will not be able to provide a salad and potato bar and the only options for lunch will be the main entree, PB&J lunch, and yogurt lunch.

**Drinking fountains will only be used to refill water bottles.** Signs will be posted accordingly.

**Proper food handling trainings will continue to take place** to ensure proper food service procedures are occurring to minimize risk of spreading the virus



## Activities

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**The District will follow IESA guidance on resuming activities.** Any non IESA sanctioned activities will be discussed by building administration to determine if events, clubs, meetings can occur.



## Operations & Maintenance

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**We are committed to providing a safe classroom and work environment** by displaying signage in the facilities, installing physical barriers where necessary, identifying social distance requirements and requiring all staff /students to wear masks.

**Enhanced cleaning in all buildings** - high traffic areas will be cleaned multiple times throughout the day (restrooms, etc.)

**Installation of signage** with social distancing and masking reminders; designated entry doors and hallway traffic patterns.

**Physical barriers** installed in certain places based on job duties.

**Air flow in classrooms;** ensure all spaces are well ventilated.