

2020-21 Handbook Additions

This handbook includes two new policies related to the coronavirus pandemic. Both policies are in the front of the handbook. In addition to those policies please note that until further notice:

Students in grades K-6 must wear a mask. Face shields are acceptable only with a note from the child's doctor.

All adults must wear a mask or other suitable face covering.

Parents must drop off students at the front door each morning and are not permitted to enter the building unless they have an appointment or scheduled meeting.

Dismissal will begin at 2:25 pm. Students will be called to leave the classroom as your vehicle approaches the front of the pick-up line. Parents may not enter the school lobby at dismissal time.

Policy on Travel

The travel policy is a safety precaution to continue our efforts in supporting the well-being of the children, our families, and our staff. Effective immediately, those who travel to high risk states as defined by the State of Ohio (<https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/covid-19/families-and-individuals/covid-19-travel-advisory/covid-19-travel-advisory>) are required to quarantine for 14 days prior to returning to school.

When making your future travel plans, please keep in mind the 2 tiers of this policy:

Tier 1: You can return to school immediately after traveling if:

- You have not traveled to a hot spot or high risk state
- If you traveled in a private car
- If you were not exposed to Covid-19
- If you are not showing symptoms of Covid-19

Tier 2: You must quarantine for 14 days if:

- You visited a hot spot or high risk state
- If you traveled by train, plane, motor coach, or other mass transportation service

Our goal is to minimize disruption while at the same time keeping you, your family, and our staff healthy and well.

Policy for Virtual Classroom Activity

In order to provide continuity of instruction as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Catholic Schools in the Diocese of Columbus may use a variety of teaching methods, including virtual classroom activities. Participation in virtual classroom activities and instruction should be under the supervision of the parent/guardian and is subject to school and Diocesan policies and regulations, including but not limited to, student conduct/behavior and acceptable use of technology. Students should also keep their camera on so the teacher can view them and wear appropriate dress clothes and the background should be free of any inappropriate or distracting images or content.

While the COVID-19 pandemic continues to exist and evolve, “remote” and/or “distance” learning (hereinafter referred to as “Remote Learning”) may at some point be required, either for the entire school or for a specific student or group of students. In such cases, the school may livestream and/or record a class to allow any student who is absent to continue to observe, and participate in, the class as much as reasonably practicable. Although the school will attempt to focus the camera and/or recording device on the respective teacher, aide, and/or instructional materials being utilized during instruction, there will be times when a specific student or students appears on the video. Parent/Guardian hereby consents and agrees that: (1) such Remote Learning is permissible; and (2) his/her child may appear in videos being livestreamed and/or recorded as part of that Remote Learning.

Furthermore, parent/guardian promises and agrees not to record, disseminate, publish, or share any livestreamed or recorded video of such Remote Learning to anyone outside of student’s immediate family. To the extent any Remote Learning videos are created and recorded, parent/guardian promises and agrees to permanently delete such recording following his/her child’s observation of, and/or participation in, that particular class session. These recordings will be stored, accessed, and disposed of according to guidelines that may be established by the parish or the Office of Catholic Schools for the Diocese of Columbus.

If you have any questions or need assistance with virtual classroom instruction or activities, please contact your child’s classroom teacher or principal. My signature in the handbook expresses my understanding, acknowledgment and agreement with the above terms and conditions and the potential for video and audio recording of my child during virtual classroom instructions and activities.