

Saint Philip Neri Catholic School
RESTART PLAN
2020-2021

This is a very challenging situation and we will make adjustments as we move forward in the coming weeks and continue to follow directed health measures and recommendations from the medical community.

Belief Statement:

- We believe in doing all we can to provide a high-quality educational experience to all students regardless of circumstance.
- We believe it is a top priority to do all we can to keep our students and staff safe.
- We believe being in school is the best place for students to receive an education, interact socially with peers, and to be enriched by a positive and consistent routine.
- Our ability to re-open will be a shared responsibility that depends on all of our students, their families, and our staff. This has to be a community-wide effort.

Guiding Principles:

- Protect the health and safety of students and staff.
- Ensure the social, emotional mental health of our students and staff.
- Deliver the highest spiritual and educational experience to each student to prepare them for future success.
- Promote equity and opportunity for each student.
- Thoughtfully prepare for future decisions from the Douglas County Health Department, the Nebraska Department of Education and the State and Federal officials related to schooling in the coming year.

Based on the health directives from our federal, state and local government and health officials, **we are planning on classes starting on time, August 19, with all students attending.**

We will be using a close to traditional school day and school year calendar with numerous social distancing guidelines and safety measures in place.

The following protocols will be implemented beginning August 19th. Adjustments might be made based on recommendations from medical professionals.

Symptoms Screening for Students

- Parents screen children at home for temperature, cough, etc. Students do not report to school if symptomatic, call a medical professional.
- All students will have their temperature taken at drop off. When a car pulls up a staff member will meet the car and take the temperature of all students arriving in that vehicle. If a student has a temperature of 100.4 degrees or above, the student will not be allowed in the school building and will be sent home. Parent(s) are to watch for symptoms for 72 hours. After 72 hours if symptoms continue you will need to notify your physician to determine what you should do next. If the fever is gone and there are no symptoms, the student may return to school.

Pre-Screening for Staff

- All employees self-screen at home for temperature, cough, etc. and do not report to work if symptomatic, call a medical professional.

Symptomatic Staff and Students

- An area will be designated as an infirmary so that students or staff that are ill, or show symptoms can be separated from the high-traffic areas.
- We will communicate with the health department regarding suspected or confirmed cases. The health department will assist us in determining a course of action.
- Recommendations from the Public health Dept will be followed.
- The Douglas County Health Dept phone number is 402-444-7471 for emergencies or after hours the number is 402-444-7000

Building Traffic/ One Way Traffic Flow

- A one-way traffic flow that will include entry and exit doors will be created.
- Colored tape, signs, or decals will que the flow of traffic.
- Furniture will be arranged to support social distancing expectations.
- Students will remain in their class/cohort group throughout the day.

Hand Washing/ Hand Sanitizing

- Students and staff will sanitize their hands upon entering the building and in the classrooms, hallways and common spaces throughout the day as sanitizer pumps will be readily available throughout the school.
- Hands will be washed or sanitized every two hours.

Masks

- The school will provide the masks.
- Please understand that we are legally obligated to follow Directed Health Measures (DHMs) from the Douglas County Health Department. A recommendation is not legally binding but obviously viewed as best practice. School systems do not write DHMs but must follow them. We also follow recommendations as they come from the medical experts that we rely on and are backed by scientific studies.
- The current recommendations we are following emphasizes that if you cannot social distance, or when in a public setting indoors, you need to wear a mask.
- Clear dividers will be placed on all of the desks and tables.
- When students are sitting behind plexi-glass practicing social distancing the mask can be removed. We will continue to follow DHMs and recommendations from medical experts to determine if this changes.
- Masks can be removed outside. Students will social distance as much as possible.
- Exceptions could include those with documented medical, behavioral or developmental issues that could be impaired by the mask. A doctor's note is required.

Social-Distancing

- Maintain at least 6 feet of physical distance whenever possible when there is no physical barrier between individuals (such as classrooms, hallways, etc.)
- Limit the number of people in the hallway or entryway at one time.
- Classroom desks will be spread apart in rows all facing the same direction with as much distance in-between as possible.
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Water Fountains

- No mouth drinking from the fountains
- Students will use a water bottle with their name on the lid and the bottle. The water bottle will be provided by the school.

Birthday Treats

- Birthday treats can be prepackaged individual items, non-edible items, a book for the classroom libraries, etc. Homemade treats or bakery items will not be allowed.

Lockers

- White kitchen trash bags with draw strings will be used by each student to place their coats, backpacks, etc. in and hang on the locker hook. The purpose is to stop any cross contamination.

Cafeteria/Meals

- Social distancing to the best of our abilities utilizing traditional and non-traditional eating spaces if/when possible.
- No ala Carte items.
- No self-serve items
- All food to be served by gloves and masked employees behind plexi-glass.
- No students will be allowed to serve food.
- Students will be allowed to bring lunches from home.
- Students will be allowed to bring a healthy snack from home to eat during the morning or afternoon if they have an early or late lunch.
- No sharing of food.
- Kitchen staff will wear masks at all times.

Recess

- We envision recess time being outside as much as possible and mask-free with social distancing measures in place. Masks will be optional.
- The school will plan to provide outside recess daily and short breaks while learning.
- The students will stay in their grade level groups and not mix together.

Mass Attendance

- 5th and 6th will attend Mass on Tuesday mornings.
- 3rd, 4th will attend Mass on Wednesday mornings.
- 7th and 8th grade will attend Mass on Thursday mornings.
- Kdg, 1st and 2nd will attend Mass on Friday morning.
- Social Distancing will be followed.

Physical Education

- Physical education classes will focus on exercise and wellness and will use outside space whenever possible.
- Equipment used will be disinfected between usage.

Music Classes

- Music classes will be taught in the classroom.
- Instruments played using your mouth will not be used.
- Instruments will be disinfected between usage.

Counseling Services

- Counseling services will be provided through Catholic Charities.
- We will have a counselor available on site as needed.

Passing Periods Middle School

- The students will stay in the classroom, the teachers will move.

Building Engineering

- Create dedicated entry/exit points that are deep cleaned multiple times daily.
- Will work to increase airflow through appropriate filtering and sterilization measures where possible.
- Classroom windows can be open during the day to provide for additional air circulation if needed.

Sanitation

- Desks, door handles, and restrooms will be cleaned/disinfected on a frequent basis. Employees are responsible for all cleaning protocols. No student responsibilities for cleaning.
- Gloves are required for all staff who are food service staff and for all staff who are sanitizing an item or surface.
- Students and staff will limit the sharing of all supplies, utensils, devices, toys, books, and learning materials

Environmental Safety and Cleaning policies

- Kitchen trash bags with draw straps will be used to hold the student's coat, backpack, etc. This will help keep the items from cross contaminating while in the locker areas.
- Analyze on a regular basis our inventory of cleaning supplies, sanitizers, disinfectants and applicable equipment so we don't run low.
- High touched surfaces will be sanitized frequently, to include:
 - Door Knobs and handles
 - Push plate and crash bars on doors
 - Handrails and stairway rails
 - Drinking Fountains
 - Table and Chairs in cafeteria
 - Refrigerators and microwaves
 - Surface and fixtures in kitchens and bathrooms.
 - Other areas as identified by staff
- Make hand sanitizer available in all classrooms and throughout the building.
- Make sanitizing wipes and hand soap readily available
- Ensure that the deep cleaning of all areas happen daily and regularly
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/disinfecting-building-facility.html>

Facility Usage by outside organizations

- The After-school program will follow state directed health measures.
- We reserve the right to limit or eliminate usage of the facility to other outside groups

Common Space Use (hallways, restrooms, cafeteria, gym)

- Will follow as much social-distancing as possible with methodical and frequent cleaning throughout the day.
- Masks will be required in the hallways, restrooms and anytime social distancing can't be followed within the school building.

Pick-Up and Drop Off of Students

- Parents are to stay in their vehicles for drop off and pick-up.
- Parents can begin bringing students to school as early as 7:30 am. Please pull up in front of the building and a staff member will meet the car to take the temperature of the student(s) arriving in the vehicle. If no temperature is detected the student(s) will be released to enter the building and report to the classroom(s). If the student has a fever of 100.4 or above the student will go home and will need to be monitored for 72 hours before returning to school.
- At the end of the day families whose youngest child is in Pre-K, Kdg, 1st, 2nd will park on the west side of 31st street. Families whose youngest child is in 3rd, 4th and 5th grade will park on the east side of 31st street. Families whose youngest child is in 6th, 7th and 8th grade will form a pick-up line in the parking lot on the north side of the building, entering through the lower gate and exiting through the upper gate.
- Parking in the lot will not be allowed at drop off and pick -up.
- Social Distancing practices should be followed.
- Students must wear a mask from home to exit their vehicle and enter the building. When they reach their classroom, the mask will be placed in their backpack and a mask will be provided by the school to be worn during the school day. At dismissal students will put on the mask they wore to school in the morning and wear it home.

Visitors at School

- All visitors, including family members, will be restricted except for special meetings like IEP's, academic and behavioral concerns, disciplinary hearings, etc.
- We will not be able to accommodate "lunch guests" and other special drop in guest for Read and Feeds, etc.
- Shadowing for new students will be suspended.

If by chance the governor closes schools we will have a plan in place to resume remote learning. It will not look like last time. Attendance will be taken and students will have to participate. Nothing will be optional and grades will be assigned.

This document is subject to change based on new directives from the state, diocese, CDC, and/or the Health Dept.