



BACK TO SCHOOL

2020-2021



GUIDANCE FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

While the hope and prayer for Catholic educators is to return to the brick and mortar campuses in the Fall of 2020, what Catholic schools in the Archdiocese of New Orleans look like when they reopen in August will depend on the status of the coronavirus and state and local regulations set to protect students and faculty on each school campus. Every school is establishing an individual plan based on its community's needs, population, facilities, resources and with feedback from their stakeholders. Every school's plan will look different, and school leaders are directly communicating with parents regarding plans as they are developed and finalized.

Learning Options

- **Traditional** - in-person classroom setting
- **Hybrid** - combination of traditional and non-traditional settings such as virtual learning
- **Non-traditional** - virtual or distance learning with some instruction and curriculum directed by educators

Health & Hygiene Considerations

- Daily temperature checks
- Regular hand-washing and/or sanitization
- Masks and/or face coverings required for at least 3rd grade and above
- Frequent cleaning and sanitizing of high-touch surfaces
- Minimizing visitors

Logistical Considerations

- Social distancing when possible in the classroom
- Staggered drop-off and dismissal schedules
- Keeping class groups consistent to the extent possible
- Limiting or eliminating shared supplies
- Live-streaming school-wide Mass and prayer
- Minimized hallway usage
- Modified P.E.

Information and guidelines for schools regarding safety with COVID are always evolving, changing and generally present a challenging situation for all businesses and individuals. For more information about your school-specific plan, please contact your child's school.

