



## BISHOP BARAGA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

October 3, 2020

Dear Bishop Baraga Families,

As many of you are aware, Governor Whitmer has moved the Upper Peninsula to Phase 4, which will officially take effect on Friday, October 9<sup>th</sup>. In both phases 4 and 5, schools are open for face-to-face instruction, but phase 4 has more stringent requirements for both facial coverings and cleaning. We had already moved to our phase 4 protocols last week because of the increase in cases, so we are prepared for this change. You can read the details of our phase 4 plan in our Preparedness and Response Plan found here:

<https://d2y1pz2y630308.cloudfront.net/21826/documents/2020/8/Covid%2019%20Preparedness%20Plan%20Final-1.pdf>

No positive COVID-19 cases have been identified at our school at this time. All the policies and procedures we are putting in place are designed to mitigate the impact of a positive case among either our students or staff. If a positive case is identified, anyone in close contact with that person would be required to quarantine. Social distancing and facial covering limit the chances of this happening.

I am attaching the screening tool to this email as a reminder that you should be screening your children before you send them to school. If your child is sick, the teachers are prepared to provide them with their work or, in some cases, live-stream classes. If you are keeping your child home from school, please call the office and let us know. We also ask that you consider carefully and prudently any travel plans and activities you participate in outside of school. We want to ensure the health and safety of all of our students and staff.

I will continue to update you on any changes or developments. Please rest assured of my prayers for you and your families.

God bless you,

Angela Oller