

Faith Formation Health and Safety Plan 20/21 School Year

The health and safety of the students, catechists, and families from St. Patrick Parish is of the utmost importance in planning for the 2020 - 2021 year. As we make plans for students and catechists to return to classes in a face-to-face format, we recognize it is impossible to eliminate all exposure risks. We are instituting measures to make the learning environment as safe as possible.

General Health and Safety

- Face coverings are encouraged for all.
- Hand sanitizer will be available in the hall.
- Space among students during in-person instruction will be maximized as much as possible.
- Signs to stop the spread of illness, properly wash hands, proper respiratory etiquette, and promote everyday protective measures will follow the guidance of the CDC and Iowa Department of Public Health (IDPH).
- Sharing of high touch materials such as art supplies, classroom community supplies, etc. will be minimized. When materials are shared, they will need to be cleaned, sanitized, and disinfected.

Entrance/Exit Procedure

- Children will enter and exit through the main entrance.
- Please see that your child(ren) does not arrive more than 10 minutes before class.
- Kids will wait either inside foyer of church or on church stairs outside to be picked up. We will not be allowing them to play on the playground as they wait.
- Families will be instructed to stay in their vehicles when dropping off and picking up students from class. This might change if we find it doesn't provide for proper spacing.

- Please be prompt when picking your child(ren) up to help with spacing issues after class.
- Hand sanitizer will be applied once inside the building. Students will then proceed to class area and remain there for the duration of the class.
- When the middle school and high school class meet on the same night, any middle schooler who is being driven home by a high schooler will wait in the hall until the high school class is over (Middle School-grades 7-8 are dismissed at 8:15, High School students are dismissed at 8:30 to help with spacing for exit).

Screening Recommendations

- Families are required to pre-screen children for illness prior to sending to class on Wednesday evenings. Students or catechists with a measured temperature of 100.4° F or higher should not attend class. Students or catechists who have symptoms of COVID-19 should not attend class.
- Families will be notified if their child is showing COVID-19 symptoms while at class. Parents will be notified and students will need to be picked up as soon as possible.
- Attendance will be taken at all activities.

Building Disinfection

- In addition to the regularly scheduled cleaning, sanitizing, and disinfecting of the building, high-touch surfaces will be cleaned and disinfected after class including tables, doorknobs, light switches, countertops, handles, desks, toilets, faucets, and sinks.

These procedures and recommendations may change according to recommendations from local and national health authorities, from recommendations from the Archdiocese of Dubuque, or from changes in policy by the public school. Any changes will be communicated through Flocknote, bulletin, or notes sent home from class.