

AVE MARIA ACADEMY
COVID-19 MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

STUDENT NAME(S): _____

I understand and agree to the following means of safeguarding the Ave Maria Academy community in the midst of the COVID-19 global pandemic. (Please check each box):

- € The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic and is extremely contagious. Ave Maria Academy has put in place reasonable preventative measures and standards of behavior in which members of Ave Maria Academy community are expected to comply to reduce the spread of COVID-19 at Ave Maria Academy. Such precautions include, but are not limited to, wearing a face covering (covering both the nose and mouth) throughout the school day, hand-washing/sanitizing, social distancing, and self-screening. Even with implementation of these safety protocols, Ave Maria Academy cannot guarantee that you/your child/a household member will not become infected with COVID-19 (and/or any other follow-on virus or pandemic, by any other name) and attendance at Ave Maria Academy and/or participation in any Ave Maria Academy activity, sport, or event could increase you/your child/a household member's risk of contracting COVID-19.
- € Prior to each Ave Maria Academy school day, activity, sport, or event, I understand and agree that I must ask myself the questions below. Should the answer to any of the questions on any given day be "Yes," I understand my child is not permitted to attend Ave Maria Academy and/or participate in any Ave Maria Academy activity, sport, or event.
 - o Has my child had a fever as defined by the CDC during the past 24 hours?
 - o Has my child had a new or unexpected cough during the past 7 days?
 - o Has my child been around anyone exhibiting these symptoms within the past 14 days?
 - o Is my child living with anyone who has been sick, has exhibited symptoms of COVID-19, or is currently under quarantine for exposure to COVID-19?
 - o Has my child traveled internationally within the last 14 days?
 - o Has my child traveled to a state identified by the PA Department of Health as having high amounts of COVID-19 cases in the last 14 days?
 - o Has my child disregarded CDC guidelines and failed to limit his/her exposure to COVID-19?
- € I understand that, in the event my child develops symptoms or suspected symptoms of COVID-19 or other illness, or if otherwise requested by the Principal, at his/her discretion, I will be contacted by Ave Maria Academy, and I will make immediate preparations to have my child picked up from Ave Maria Academy. In the event of a medical emergency, I authorize Ave Maria Academy to call 9-1-1 and have my child transported to a hospital or healthcare facility.
- € I further understand that, in the event that my child contracts COVID-19 or becomes exposed to someone with COVID-19, my child will need to be isolated or quarantined as directed by CDC.
- € I understand that no one may be present on Ave Maria Academy property or attend an Ave Maria Academy activity, sport, or event until he/she meets Pennsylvania Department of Health and Pennsylvania Department of Education's criteria to return to Ave Maria Academy.

COVID-19 SYMPTOMS?	COVID-19 TEST?	MAY RETURN TO SCHOOL AFTER:
YES	NO	€ No Health Care Provider Evaluation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o 10 days since symptoms first appeared; and o At least 24 hours with no fever without fever-reducing medication; and o Symptoms have improved. € Evaluated by Health Care Provider: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Health care provider provided written release to return to school; and o At least 24 hours with no fever without fever-reducing medication; and o Symptoms have improved.
YES	YES COVID-19 POSITIVE	€ 10 days since symptoms first appeared; and € At least 24 hours with no fever without fever-reducing medication; and € Symptoms have improved.
YES	YES COVID-19 NEGATIVE	€ No Health Care Provider Evaluation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o At least 24 hours with no fever without fever-reducing medication; and o Symptoms have improved € Evaluated by Health Care Provider:

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Health care provider documented an alternative diagnosis; and o Health care provider provided written release to return to school.
NO	YES COVID-19 POSITIVE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> € 10 days have passed since test, or € He/she receives two negative test results in a row, at least 24 hours apart.
CLOSE CONTACT WITH SOMEONE WITH COVID-19		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> € 14 days after exposure unless he/she develops symptoms, in which case see above.

- € I understand that individuals who have a weakened immune system (immunocompromised) due to a health condition or medication may need to take additional precautions and/or stay home longer than 10 days in the event of infection. These individuals are encouraged to consult their healthcare provider and work with Ave Maria Academy's Principal to effectuate any necessary reasonable accommodations.

To preserve the integrity of the Ave Maria Academy program throughout the pandemic, I further understand and agree to the following:

- € Ave Maria Academy will make every effort to provide remote learning available throughout the pandemic, enabling students to continue their education seamlessly in and out of the classroom setting. Such distance learning shall be consistent with Ave Maria Academy's mission, providing faith formation, academic rigor, quality, academic support, and assessment of objectives consistent with in-person classes, and is subject to the Student Parent Handbook and Ave Maria Academy's internet use policy.
- € I understand that in-person Ave Maria Academy classes may be recorded and/or live streamed to facilitate distance learning, and I hereby give permission to record and/or live stream my child in the classroom setting for such educational purposes. The teacher shall have the sole ability to make such recordings, which shall be used strictly for educational purposes by the Ave Maria Academy community on approved platforms. Screenshots of individuals are strictly prohibited.
- € I give permission for my child to participate in any distance learning offered online by Ave Maria Academy through educational platforms such as Google Classroom and Zoom platforms for online synchronous video instruction. I understand that web-based activities entail known and unanticipated risks that cannot be eliminated. As a result, Ave Maria Academy recommends the use of appropriate Internet filtering software.
- € I understand and agree that in the event it becomes necessary for Ave Maria Academy to solely educate students via distance learning for any time period, **I will not be entitled to a refund of or release from payment for any tuition or fees.**

I understand and voluntarily assume the risk of my child contracting COVID-19 (and/or any other follow-on virus or pandemic, by any other name) by attending Ave Maria Academy and/or through participating in an Ave Maria Academy activity, sport, or event and hereby waive any and all claims against and agree to hold the Ave Maria Academy (to include the Principal/Teachers/Staff), St. Thomas More Parish, St. Michael the Archangel Parish, South Region Catholic Elementary Schools, and Diocese of Pittsburgh harmless as set forth below:

- € In consideration for providing my child the opportunity to attend Ave Maria Academy and/or participate in an Ave Maria Academy activity, sport, or event and any related transportation to and from the same, both my child and I voluntarily agree to waive, and discharge any and all claims against Ave Maria Academy, its Governing Bodies, the individual members thereof, the Diocese of Pittsburgh, the Most Reverend David A. Zubik, Trustee, and all successors, assigns, officers, agents, employees, volunteers, and representatives and release them from liability for any exposure to or illness or injury from an infectious disease including COVID-19, including claims for any negligent actions of the Ave Maria Academy or its employees or agents, to the fullest extent allowed by law, for myself, my child, our estates, our heirs, our administrators, our executors, our assignees, and our successors.
- € I also agree to release, exonerate, discharge and hold harmless Ave Maria Academy, its Governing Bodies, the individual members thereof, the Diocese of Pittsburgh, the Most Reverend David A. Zubik, Trustee, and all successors, assigns, officers, agents, employees, volunteers, and representatives from all liability, claims, causes of action, or demands, including attorney fees, fines, fees, or other costs (e.g. medical costs) arising out of any exposure to or illness or injury from an infectious disease including COVID-19, which may result from or in connection with my child's attendance at Ave Maria Academy and/or participation in an Ave Maria Academy activity, sport, or event and any related transportation to and from the same.

I understand and hereby authorize the Ave Maria Academy, St. Thomas More Parish, St. Michael the Archangel Parish, South Region Catholic Elementary Schools, and Diocese of Pittsburgh to enforce such other reasonable measures and directives as may be deemed necessary by Ave Maria Academy.

I/We am/are the parent or legal guardian of the student(s) named above. I/We have carefully read and fully understand all provisions of this COVID-19 Acknowledgement, Waiver, Release, and Assumption of Risk. I/We have the legal authority to consent to and, by signing below, I/we hereby do consent to the forgoing terms and conditions on behalf of myself/ourselves and the above-named student(s).

(Parent/Guardian Name – Printed)

(Parent/Guardian Signature)

(Date)

(Parent/Guardian Name – Printed)

(Parent/Guardian Signature)

(Date)