


MPRCS - Return to School Plan

Catholic Schools Onward
Town Hall Meeting
July 8th and 9th

Items in a different color are my talking notes from the presentation.

Things We Know...

It is very important for us to keep any and all procedures throughout the day smooth, stress free, efficient and conducted in a manner that keeps our students safe.

- This is our plan as of July 8th and subject to change
 - Students will attend all 5 days
 - The building will be thoroughly cleaned throughout the day and the building will be disinfected everyday after school.
 - Good hygiene is the best way to help prevent the spread of germs. We have always stressed this with students and will continue.
 - “In-House” safety team has been established
 - Summer camp is up and running and we are able to see how preventive measure will work on a smaller scale.
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Partnership

We are partners in our efforts to keep our students safe while keeping the learning going.

- Daily monitoring of health - **we understand the need for parents to work but we do need parents/guardians to do a health check with their children before coming to school.**
- Keeping students home when they are sick - **We have always had a fever-free without medication policy.**
- Teachers and staff will monitor students through out the day. Even before Covid-19 the teachers can usually tell when a student is not feeling well. Students will be sent to the office/nurse for evaluation.
- Communication is KEY: As I receive information and our Safety team works on our procedures and plan I will keep everyone up to date.

Catholic Identity - Very important!!!!


- School Masses will require different protocol - We will be looking at how we do whole school masses and small group masses - we will be working with the Parish House and Fr. Ed and Fr. Bell
- Prayers and morning announcements over PA system/live stream
- Prayer Partners - the students really enjoy spending time with their prayer partners. We will be exploring ways that we can do virtual activities with our prayer partners.
- Service Projects



Cohorting

- Although we will be using other precautionary measures, cohorting will be a major part of the plan
- Cohorting will keep groups of children together for the entire day
- If a case of Covid-19 were to surface with a cohort, we would then move to virtual learning at home with just that identified cohort. The rest of school would continue to operate with in-class instruction

Social Distancing - while we know this is important we also know it will be difficult especially for our young students. Gentle reminders, signage along with classroom set-up will help in these efforts.

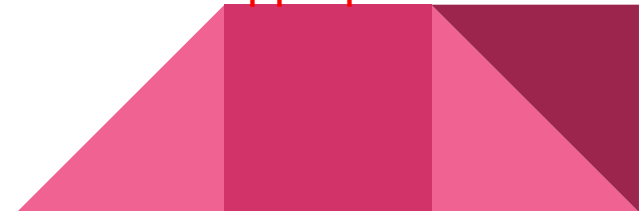


Strategic use of Mask

Current guidance from the office of Catholic Education

- **Mandatory in certain situations**
 - Travel in the hallway
 - On the bus
 - Classroom situations with non-cohorting members
 - When social distancing is not possible
- Students can remain mask free for the majority of the day, unless a parent indicates they would like their child to keep their mask on the entire day
- **We will have a supply of disposable mask if a student forget their mask or misplaces their mask at some point during the day.**
- **Students can wear their mask of choice as long as it is school appropriate**

This guidance has not been updated since before the most recent PA update. If there is a change in any way to this I will update all families.



Drop-Off/Entering the building/Start of day

- Students will get off of the buses one bus at a time at the main school doors. Students will go directly to their classrooms as soon as the buses arrive at the school.
- Carline
 - Pre-K and Kindergarten will be dropped off at the Lower Church doors where they will be greeted and taken down to their classrooms.
 - 1st - 8th will follow regular carline drop off and will enter the building through the school doors by the gym and go directly to their classrooms
- There will be teachers and staff outside to direct traffic
- Morning Prayers and announcements will be done over the PA system/live streamed (**This will eliminate the gathering as a large group**)


Dismissal/Pick-Up

- We are exploring different options for carline pick-up
- Bus riders will remain in their classrooms and buses will be called over the loudspeaker.

Members of the facilities committee from the (Board) will be involved in Drop-off and Pick-up as this was an area they were looking at earlier in the year.



Classroom Set-up/What will be different

- 1st, 2nd, and 8th grade classroom are getting new flooring - easier to clean and sanitize
 - 6th, 7th, 8th grade classrooms will be using desk - **desk in the classrooms will be set up with the recommended 6ft inbetween**
 - Non-essential furniture will be removed from the classrooms - **examples of non-essential furniture would be additional seating in “common areas” of the classroom, extra tables etc.**
 - Hand sanitizer will be available throughout the school building - hallways, near entrances, classrooms
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Supplies and other usually shared materials

- When possible each student will have their own individual supplies and a place to store supplies away from others.
- Shared supplies will be sanitized after each usage
- Toys/Games - teachers will clean/disinfect classroom toys daily. Students will wash/sanitize hands after using toys/games.
- Traveling to other rooms - this will be limited but proper disinfecting measures will be in place after each space is used. **Middle School teachers will travel to each students classroom. Brain Breaks will be given throughout the day. Specials teachers will travel to room to room with a few exceptions.**



Lunch

- For the start of the school year we will start by having students eat lunch in their classrooms. Teachers will remain in the classrooms with their students for lunch (We will be looking at ways to safely distance students in the gym for lunch, this will require a change in schedule.) Specials teachers will be on recess duty.
- At this point NDS has not sent us any information regarding changing our current lunch situation.



Recess

- Students will not need to wear mask while at recess with their cohort (received this directive yesterday from CSO task force)
- Students will wash/sanitize their hands when they return from recess
- Playground equipment will be disinfected after each recess/use
- We have a large property, being able to spread out is not a problem
- Each class will have their own bin for playground “toys”
- We will use zones to maintain “cohorts” each zone will have various activities for students to select from.
- Back in February we were going to meet in the Spring in a “playground committee”. We will be meeting to discuss ideas for activities in the zones

Virtual Learning

Who/What/When/Where/How

- If a child is home sick, or a parent suspects the child may be sick - there will be an option for students to join the class via Google meet.
- In the case where a cohort has been dismissed from school and covid-19 has been identified, the entire cohort will utilize distance learning for the isolation period. Lesson will be delivered through Google meet and the students **regular school schedule will be followed.**
- In a situation in which a parent feel working from home is beneficial - student will be able to join the class via Google meet.

Modified Attendance

- **In person attendance and virtual/online attendance**
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What will happen if we have a confirmed case...

- Communication will go out to families and staff immediately upon positive confirmation.
- Consideration to dismiss cohort related to the suspected case using health official guidance
- Evaluate if any other cases related to the case were identified and make a decision to extend or end the cohort dismissal



Items that are still in the works

- Plan for Before and After school care
- Afterschool activities

I am looking to hold another virtual town hall meeting before the end of July to address additional concerns/questions that may arise. Please reach out with any questions or concerns that you may have between now and the next town hall meeting. I will continue to update the Q&A as questions are asked.

