

St. Patrick & St. Catherine | Religious Education

COVID-19 INFORMATION & GUIDELINES

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Keeping the safety of our students and staff is our number one priority.
We will follow the safety protocols required by the Minnesota Department of Health.

Staff, students, and visitors are recommended, but not required, to wear a mask, regardless of vaccination status. All staff, students, and visitors of vaccination status, are recommended to follow the strategies of physical distancing, handwashing and respiratory etiquette, cleaning and disinfection, and staying home when sick.

SCREENING PROTOCOLS

- All students and employees should stay home if they aren't feeling well.
- Do not come to religious education if you tested positive for COVID-19 or are not feeling well.
- Do not come to religious education if anyone in your household tested positive for COVID-19 in the past 14 days, unless you are fully vaccinated and not experiencing symptoms.
- Staff and students are encouraged to self-monitor symptoms throughout the day. Anyone who begins to experience symptoms should inform their teacher and should make plans to leave immediately.

SUSPECTED/CONFIRMED CASE of COVID-19 PROTOCOL

- Symptomatic individuals will be immediately sent home.
- Students and staff should stay home until symptoms have resolved and and/or receive a negative COVID test.
- If a person with COVID-19 was on church premises while infectious, families within the classroom and staff will be notified via email.

FACE COVERINGS / MASKS

- Individuals who are fully vaccinated do not need to wear a mask while in a school building. Individuals who are not fully vaccinated are encouraged to wear a mask while in a school building, but not required, unless federal or state guidance mandates face coverings.

BUILDING ACCESS

- Social distancing is provided to the greatest extent possible in our small classrooms.
- Pick-up and drop-off:
 - CGS, 1st and 2nd graders need to be escorted into the building by a parent, guardian, or older sibling (if authorized by parent/guardian) and picked up in the same fashion.
 - We ask that 3rd grade students and up are picked up outside the building in a formed car pick-up line system in the front of the school.

CLEANING PROTOCOLS

- Students and staff will limit the sharing of all supplies to the greatest extent possible.
- Routine cleaning will occur to sufficiently remove potential viruses that may be on surfaces.
- DREs and teachers will continue to promote personal hygiene best practices in order to limit the spread of COVID-19.

Reference: Guidelines from the MN Department of Health website, updated 8/13/21.

<https://www.health.state.mn.us/diseases/coronavirus/quarguide.pdf>