



Return to School Plan for Saint Rose Catholic School 2021

Saint Rose is thankful for the hard work of our teachers, faculty, parents and students during the challenges of 2020/21. While COVID-19 is still present, we look to 2021/22 with great optimism and with fewer restrictions.

Masks/Facial Coverings

- Masks/Facial Coverings will NOT be required for the 2021/22 school year.
- Students, faculty and staff are permitted to wear masks/facial coverings.
- Any decoration on the face coverings should be appropriate for a Catholic elementary school, avoiding mature or violent images. Political statements should also be avoided.

Social Distancing

- Saint Rose will NOT practice social distancing.
- Classrooms, labs, specials, library, etc. will return to normal.
- Mass will return to normal seating. Most often students will attend the all school Mass on Wednesdays at 9:15.

Contact Tracing

- Students, staff, and faculty will need to be contact traced in the event of a positive COVID-19 case.
- This will require assigned seating in classrooms, Mass, and the lunchroom.

Cohort Grouping

- Cohort grouping will NOT be required.
- Students from different classrooms and age groups will be permitted to interact on recess, for classroom events, etc.

Temperature Taking

- Students, faculty, staff and visitors will NOT have their temperatures taken upon entering the school or in the classroom upon arrival.

Remote Learning

- Remote learning is only available for students in quarantine.

Visitors and Volunteers

- Visitors and volunteers will be permitted into the building by following the pre-pandemic visitor/volunteer guidelines.
- All visitors/volunteers will need to register at the front desk.

Field Trips

- Saint Rose will reinstate its regular field trips.

Infectious Disease Protocol

- Saint Rose follows the guidelines put forth by the Wood County Health Department, Ohio Health Department, and Center for Disease Control.
- Anyone displaying symptoms of COVID-19 is required to stay home and contact his/her primary care physician.
- Nurse Michelle Hill is the Saint Rose Catholic School COVID-19 coordinator. She will communicate with the Wood County Health Department of any positive COVID-19 cases within 24 hours of being notified of a positive case.
- Saint Rose parents, faculty and staff members are required to communicate any positive COVID-19 cases to Nurse Michelle Hill at hill@saintroseonline.org and Dr. Bryon Borgelt at borgelt@saintroseonline.org and call the school attendance line at 419.874.3904.
- Any individual displaying COVID-19 symptoms will be placed in quarantine at school by the nurse and parents/guardians will be contacted to come pick up the student.
- Household members of students and school staff who have been diagnosed with COVID-19 are required to notify the school within 24 hours after receiving a confirmed diagnosis.
- Within 24 hours of becoming aware of a student, teacher, staff member, or coach who has tested positive or been diagnosed with COVID-19, Saint Rose will notify parents or guardians of students of the existence of the case in writing through email and share as much information as possible without disclosing protected health information.
- Anyone that tests positive for COVID-19 will need to quarantine for 14 days or as directed by the Wood County Health Department.

<p>Unvaccinated Individuals</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● When exposed in-school <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Can attend school under quarantine guidelines. ○ Cannot attend school sponsored after school activities. ● When exposed outside of school <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Individual needs to quarantine outside of school and participate in remote learning. 	<p>Vaccinated Individuals</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Vaccinated individuals do NOT need to quarantine when exposed to a positive COVID-19 individual.
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If a student or staff member visits the clinic with COVID-19 symptoms, they will be assessed by the nurse.

- If they present with one of the symptoms highlighted in blue below (unless there is a documented medical condition that explains the symptoms), they will automatically be sent home under the [COVID-19 isolation guidance](#) and asked to isolate, provide an alternative diagnosis from a physician, or get a negative COVID-19 test before returning to work or school. The alternate diagnosis from a physician or the negative COVID-19 test must be submitted in writing to the school nurse before the student can return to school.
- If they present with any two or more of the symptoms below (unless there is a documented medical condition that explains the symptoms), they will automatically be sent home under the [COVID-19 isolation guidance](#) and asked to isolate, provide an alternative diagnosis from a physician, or get a negative COVID-19 test before returning to work or school. The alternate diagnosis from a physician or the negative COVID-19 test must be submitted in writing to the school nurse before the student can return to school.
- If they present with only one of the symptoms below, the nurse will assess and treat the symptoms. The

nurse will also investigate any potential exposure. At the nurse's discretion and based on the information gathered, the student/staff will be sent back to class/work, sent home under the 24 hour fever/illness rule, or sent home under the [COVID-19 isolation guidance](#) and asked to isolate, provide an alternative diagnosis from a physician, or get a negative Covid-19 test before returning to work or school. The alternate diagnosis from a physician or the negative COVID-19 test must be submitted in writing to the school nurse before the student can return to school.

- The siblings or family members of symptomatic individuals may remain at school as long as there has not been a known exposure to COVID-19, they themselves are not displaying any symptoms, and no one in the household is awaiting a COVID test result.

COVID-19 Symptoms:

❖ Fever or chills	❖ Muscle or body aches	❖ Congestion or runny nose
❖ Cough	❖ Headache	❖ Nausea or vomiting
❖ Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing	❖ New loss of taste or smell	❖ Diarrhea
❖ Fatigue	❖ Sore throat	

Changes That Were Beneficial and Will Continue for 2021/22

- Students will wear their gym clothes to school on the day that they have gym. No need to change clothing during school.
- Middle school will continue with the modified block schedule.
- Students in grades 4-8 will be permitted to carry their book bags on them during the day.
- Carline dismissal will follow the same procedure as 2020/21. Students will line up according to their classes between the Walz Center and the school.
- Parent/teacher conferences will be held in-person on one night and virtually the other.
- Meet the Teacher, Open House and other such events will require families to register for a time slot so that our faculty and staff can give more attention to smaller groups.
- Students will continue to use water bottles instead of drinking fountains.
- Remote learning instruction will be required for students in quarantine. Remote learning will not be used for travel or other reasons. Teachers will need 24 hour notice before starting remote learning.
- Teachers will have the option to schedule additional playground time beyond recess for their students.

This document and plan will evolve as needed to address the changing circumstances caused by the pandemic. Cooperation and communication among the school, parents/guardians, the parish, our students, and the larger community will be necessary for Saint Rose to have a successful school year with minimal disruption. We are confident that this can be done. Great cooperation and compassion were displayed last year as we faced so many challenges with positivity and perseverance.

Please continue to pray with us for the guidance of the Holy Spirit as we prepare for the safe and happy return of our students, staff, and faculty.

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