



# DIOCESE OF LAS VEGAS CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

## Current COVID-19 Guidelines *as of January 5, 2022\**

*\* Guidelines are subject to change based upon new policies and directives from governmental agencies.*

### **COVID-19 Mitigation Strategies**

All schools in the Diocese of Las Vegas will follow the guidelines and mitigation strategies related to COVID-19. These policies are derived from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the Southern Nevada Health District (SNHD), and the Diocese of Las Vegas (DoLV).

### **State Regulations on Masks/Face Coverings**

The State of Nevada has determined that the wearing of masks/face coverings is required when there is a substantial or high rate of community transmission. In alignment with this directive, **ALL** faculty, staff, students, and visitors, regardless of vaccination status, must wear a mask/face covering while on school campuses during the school day, unless actively eating or drinking.

### **Specific School Policies Related to COVID-19**

The following precautions have been implemented to limit exposure to our community:

- Masking at all times regardless of vaccination status
- Social distancing per CDC guidelines at lunches, during recess, and in classrooms
- Enhanced sanitation measures
- Isolations and quarantines when required

### **Isolation and Quarantine Procedures**

All schools will follow, at minimum, [the quarantine and isolation recommendations of the CDC](#) that were updated on January 4, 2022. Following the direction of the SNHD and/or our medical advisors, there may be additional guidelines.

### **Academic Participation for Isolated and Quarantined Students**

When a student is isolated or quarantined by the school, he or she will be able to observe their classes on-line and submit assignments remotely as permitted. All tests and other major assessments will be taken in person upon their return to school. Isolated and quarantined students are not permitted to participate in extracurricular activities (athletics, clubs, etc.) during the time of the isolation or quarantine. Please note that remote learning is only authorized for those students who are isolated or quarantined through the school and is not available to families who have other absences, travel plans, etc.

### **Watch for Symptoms**

People with COVID-19 have had a wide range of symptoms reported – ranging from mild symptoms to severe illness. Symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus. Anyone can have mild to severe symptoms. People with these symptoms may have COVID-19: fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, or diarrhea. Please be sure to contact your school's Nurse directly if your student is exhibiting these symptoms or if anyone in your household has a pending or positive COVID test.

The Diocese of Las Vegas conducts a review of COVID-19 policies on an ongoing basis. If and when any policies change, we will notify the community via newsletters, emails, texts, and update the website as well.