



Scotus Central Catholic High School

2020-2021 Scotus Central Catholic Return to School

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“Stronger Together”

Welcome to the 2020-2021 school year! We learned a valuable lesson this past spring that we are **Stronger** when we are **Together!** We are all many parts, but part of the one body of Christ. Those parts form a bond that thrives in a vibrant community.

We believe that to flourish and grow, we need to learn together. **All the expectations provided in this document are designed to safely bring and keep us together.** Together we can look out for each other and continue to build the kingdom of God. Please continue to keep our school community in your prayers.



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Expectations for the 2020-2021 School Year

Parents

- We ask that parents screen their children for symptoms of COVID-19 at home. <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/symptoms.html>
- If your child is sick, please keep them at home. Our school will have a relaxed attendance policy this year. We will also **not require** a doctor's note when they return to school.
- A waiver will be sent via email that needs to be signed by all parent/guardians prior to first day of school.
- Stay up to date with all communication coming from Scotus. Information will be sent via email and school social media accounts.
- A video tutorial will be provided for PowerSchool. This video is designed to present information on how instruction will occur if our school needs to go into remote learning.
- Be supportive of the school. Please continue to support our teachers and our mission to provide a great Catholic education.

Students

- Stay home if you are sick. This will be important in stopping the spread.
- Wash your hands regularly and be mindful of any social distancing rules in place.
- Take advantage of training provided to you on Microsoft Teams and Office 365. This will help you in the event we need to use remote learning.
- Be an engaged learner. By actively participating in your education, you will maximize your potential as a student.
- Be supportive of the decisions that have been made regarding our Return to School program. We all need to be unified in our commitment to making the best of the current situation.

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Teachers

- Training will be provided on Microsoft Teams for all staff. This will be required for use in the event remote learning is necessary.
- Prepare a plan for your curriculum area that provides for 100% in person instruction, a hybrid model, or complete remote learning. Department chairs please monitor progress in this area.
- Develop a protocol in your classroom for students to use hand sanitizer and for disinfecting the desks. The maintenance staff will provide you with the resources you need.
- Please use assigned seating in all classes.
- Try to eliminate any sharing of education materials in your classroom. If it is unavoidable, then disinfect completely after use.

Symptom Monitoring and Exclusion from School

- Parents, students, and staff will screen at home.
- If evidence of wider community spread, the school will begin conducting temperature checks prior to entrance into school building and limit entrances into the school.

The student or staff experienced symptoms and tested positive for COVID (all three conditions must be met).

- Fever free for at least 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medicine
- Other symptoms have improved (such as cough or shortness of breath)
- Ten calendar days have passed since symptoms first appeared

The student or staff experienced symptoms and tested negative for COVID (both conditions must be met).

- Fever free without the use of fever-reducing medicine
- Other symptoms have improved (such as cough or shortness of breath)

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The student or staff did NOT experience symptoms and tested positive for COVID (all three conditions must be met).

- Fever free for at least 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medicine
- Any symptoms that develop have improved (such as cough or shortness of breath)
- 10 calendar days have passed since symptoms first appeared.

If a student or staff member begins to exhibit symptoms during the day, the following measures will be taken.

- The staff will be immediately removed from the classroom and sent home.
- The student will be immediately removed from the classroom and sent to the office for a “no-touch” temperature check.
- The office staff will contact parents.
- The student will be required to wear a mask until arrangements are made to safely transport the student home.

Entering and Exiting Building

- In current risk environment students can use either the north door or the southeast door by flagpole.
- If risk level increases only the north doors will be utilized for entry into building. This would allow our school to manage health screening if needed.
- When entering the building please put on mask if social distancing not possible.
- The school doors will open at 7:30am. Except for Tuesday and Friday when they will open at 7:10am to allow students to attend mass in chapel.
- All students should exit the building by 4:00pm each day unless they are involved in an extracurricular activity.

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Cafeteria

- All students/staff required to wash/sanitize hands prior to entering cafeteria.
- Social distancing will be required while waiting in line or when seated at tables.
- All self-serve items will be distributed by cafeteria staff. (Silverware, napkins, milk, water glass.)
- No salad bar will be offered.
- All students will receive full menu options as part of their purchase. This will reduce interaction between people in serving line.
- Assigned seating will be used.
- No use of microwave.
- Only cafeteria staff will be allowed in the kitchen area.

Instruction

- We intend to provide in person instruction for all our students.
- Should a new DHM be issued that reduces the number of students allowed in our building, we will move to a hybrid model.
- The hybrid model will allow for 50% of our student body to be in our school two days a week. Details will be released later, but you parents can expect students to be engaged with teachers at a minimum of four days per week.
- In the event of widespread community spread and our building is required to be closed, we will move into online learning. Details will be released later, but parents can expect students will be engaged with teachers a minimum of four days per week.
- All expectations for the hybrid and online learning model will be released by mid-August.

Mass and Rock Talk

- Morning Mass will be limited to 32 people. This is two people per pew. Masses will be held on Tuesday and Friday at 7:20 AM.
- School Masses and Rock Talk will take place on the third and fourth Wednesday of the month. On the third Wednesday of each month grades 7-9

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will do Rock Talk and grades 10-12 will go to Mass at St. Bonaventure. On the fourth Wednesday they will switch places.

PE Classes

- Classes will be conducted in normal fashion utilizing social distancing where possible.
- All weight and sports equipment must be sanitized after use.

Chorus & Band:

- Logistics for these classes are still being worked out.

Extra-Curricular Activities

- All NSAA activities will use the protocol established by that organization.
- All other school activities will continue in normal fashion unless local situation dictates modifications need to be made.

PPE

- All students and staff will need to wear a mask when social distancing is not possible.
- If you provide your own mask, it must be appropriate for school. No offensive material will be allowed.
- The school will make available two masks to each student and member of the staff.
- Masks are not a political statement. Please be respectful of each other.

Cleaning of Building and Classrooms

- All high touch areas will be cleaned twice a day in current risk environment.
- Hand sanitizing stations will be added throughout the building.
- All bathrooms, locker rooms, and cafeterias will be given a deep clean every two weeks. This will be done by a local professional cleaning company.
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Lockers

- Each student has an assigned locker. This locker has either an odd or even number assigned to it. Each student who has an even number locker will be allowed to go to their locker at the beginning of an even number period. Students with odd number lockers will go before beginning of odd number period classes.

Snack Break

- To begin the school year, we will not have a snack break after second period. This time will be utilized for hand sanitizing and desk cleaning. When it becomes safer, the snack break will return.

Transportation

- School will provide transportation to extracurricular activities.
- Students will be expected to wear a mask.

Water Fountains

- Students will be required to bring a water bottle.
- Students may only use the bottle filler component of the water fountain.

HVAC

- Our HVAC system will be programmed to allow more outside air into the building.
- Air filters will be changed monthly.

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