



First Steps Toward Reopening for the 2020-2021 School Year

VIGILANT SCREENING



TEMPERATURE CHECKPOINTS

We have invested in high-tech, non-touch thermal imaging devices that will be used at the car rider line, front door entrance, main office, and our early childhood learning center to quickly assess body temperatures. All students will complete a temperature check each morning on campus. Any child exhibiting a temperature of 100° or more will not be permitted to attend school. We will also have wellness and temperature screenings for all employees.



ISOLATION ROOM

We have expanded our nurse's office. This new space will allow for a connected, but separate, isolation room for students who are ill and waiting to be picked up from school.



HEALTH COMPLIANCE OFFICERS

Mrs. Jennifer Berardinelli and Ms. Brenna Warrell will oversee health and safety standards and communication with the local health department regarding updated COVID protocols, testing, and reporting.

WASH AND SANITIZE HANDS



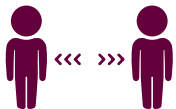
We will provide hand sanitizer in every classroom, as well as hand sanitizing stations in our high traffic areas. Additionally, we have added a number of portable hand washing stations throughout the building. Most importantly, teachers will have a classroom schedule for routine and frequent hand washing and sanitizing.

CLEAN SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT



We will increase the use of our Clorox Total 360 System to clean and sanitize classrooms. This cleaning system includes an electrostatic sprayer that delivers Clorox cleaning solution to the front, back, and sides of surfaces. We will also regularly sanitize high-contact areas (i.e., doorknobs, banisters, and restroom facilities). Each teacher will lead a cleaning routine before classes transition. This will include hand washing, sanitizing, and cleaning of desks and materials.

PHYSICAL DISTANCING EFFORTS & COHORT GROUPING



By offering in-person instruction to all students, we acknowledge that we will generally be unable to achieve six feet of physical distance consistently. Adjusted classroom practices and routines, however, will decrease the contact and increase the distance typically experienced by students. With few exceptions, students will remain in contact with only their classroom cohort (i.e., homeroom) and, at limited times, members of their grade level.

- Student seating in classrooms will be adjusted so all students face forward. Clustered groups will be avoided.
- Signs will be posted in common areas reminding students and staff to maintain a reasonable distance from others.
- Teachers will be encouraged to use our beautiful outdoor property for classes when weather permits. Additionally, classroom doors will remain ajar, and windows will be left open to increase air circulation.
- Students will continue to have access to their lockers, which will be clustered by grade level and homeroom. Locker visits will be limited, however, and will follow a schedule throughout the day.

FACE COVERINGS



All faculty and staff will be required to wear face coverings, as will all visitors to the main office. Students in grades K-8 will also be required to wear a face covering for the majority of the school day (exceptions include outdoor recess and lunch).



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OTHER LCA ADAPTATIONS



MASS

We have created a rotating liturgical schedule so students will be able to periodically attend Mass with their grade level classmates in our renovated school chapel. Students will have the opportunity to stream recorded Masses in their theology classes, as well as participate in classroom prayer experiences and our Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Program (K-4).



LUNCH

All students will have the opportunity to participate in our healthy dining program provided by Lago. Students in grades K-4 will have daily access to the dining hall, but will have assigned seating areas that allow for physical distancing. To allow for proper physical distancing, students in grades 5-8 will rotate use of the dining hall on a weekly basis. When a grade is not scheduled to use the dining hall, that grade will eat in the classroom. Students eating in their classrooms are still able to participate in the dining program.



RECESS

When weather permits, students will continue to enjoy recess outside. Our property allows us to easily separate students to ensure that they will not interact with students of other grade levels.



RELATED ARTS

Although there will be subject-specific adjustments made to classroom instruction, all students will continue to participate in all of their related arts courses.



PHYSICAL EDUCATION

All students will be required to wear their PE uniform throughout the day on gym days. This is typical of K-4 students, but is a change for students in grades 5-8, as locker rooms will not be used during this academic year.



VISITORS TO CAMPUS

We have installed a glass safety shield in our main office in order to safely serve our visitors. While we will allow visitors in the main office, we will significantly limit visitor access to other parts of the building.



ATHLETIC PROGRAM

LCA athletics remain under the guidance of CYO. At this time, no changes have been made to the sports to be offered nor the grade levels that will participate. In addition to regular communication with CYO, we are attuned to the guidelines set forth by the Ohio High School Athletic Association.



SCHOOL EVENTS

We are committed to our strong school community. We are working on plans to adjust all school events so we can continue our traditions in new and innovative ways. More details on specific plans for each event will be shared in advance.



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

This plan outlines the first steps as we prepare to reopen for the 2020-2021 school year. We will continue to adjust and revise this plan based upon guidance from local and state authorities, and we pledge to keep you updated regarding any new developments.

We have partnered with educational technology leader, G&G, and are currently designing distance learning plans for both short- and long-term student absences. As a leader in Catholic elementary education, we remain committed to engaging all of our saints, regardless of the distance between us. We will share an outline of our digital learning option on July 31st.