

HNOJ School Preparedness and Readiness Plan 2021-22 rev. 8/6/21

Our priority is to keep students, staff and our school community safe, while providing students with an excellent educational experience that meets their intellectual, social, emotional and faith needs. After reviewing guidance and recommendations from the CDC, MDH and the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis, Holy Name of Jesus School has established the following protocols for the 2021-22 school year. The plan applies to all HNOJ School events and activities, including but not limited to: athletics, extra-curricular and school age childcare.

Portions of the plan are subject to change if there are new mandates and/or significant changes in information. If the need for change arises, we will inform families in a timely manner.

LEARNING MODEL

Holy Name of Jesus School will be in-person learning. A distance learning model will not be offered. If a student is absent from school, the classroom teacher will facilitate making up missed lessons and classwork expectations.

MASK POLICY

Masks for students, staff and volunteers will be optional. We ask all parents to consider what is best for their child in making this decision while also being vigilant in monitoring of symptoms and the health of their child. Parents are encouraged to discuss any unique mask expectations for their child with the classroom teacher prior to the start of the school year.

According to the federal government mandate, all students are required to wear face coverings while on school buses (including field trips).

OUR COMMITMENT

The HNOJ school staff will:

- Self-screen for illness symptoms prior to arriving at school.
- Stay home when experiencing illness and/or symptoms.
- Practice and continue to teach and encourage appropriate and frequent handwashing.
- Practice and model appropriate respiratory etiquette – cover your cough.
- Frequently clean and disinfect classrooms. Maintenance and a third-party cleaning company will continue daily cleaning procedures.
- Have hand sanitizer, tissues, gloves, masks and other cleaning supplies available.
- Teach and model respect of others' opinions and choices related to COVID protocols.

YOUR COMMITMENT

We are asking families to:

- Screen students for illness symptoms prior to arriving at school.
- Keep students home who are experiencing illness and/or symptoms.
- Respect others and their personal decisions related to COVID protocols.
- Reinforce handwashing and respiratory etiquette.
- Notify the school nurse of COVID testing and/or test results at absence@hnoj.org.

VOLUNTEER/VISITOR COMMITMENT

We ask volunteers and visitors to:

- Self-screen prior to arriving at the school.
- Stay home if ill or experiencing symptoms.
- Follow the school Preparedness and Readiness Plan.

WHAT HAPPENS IF A STUDENT OR STAFF MEMBER TESTS POSITIVE FOR COVID 19?

- The individual will need to quarantine according to MDH guidelines.
- MDH no longer requires school leaders to quarantine individuals, entire classrooms, or groups on account of potential exposure to COVID-19.
- The grade level will be notified of the positive case and parents will be provided the MDH COVID guidance fact sheet.
- HNOJ will notify MDH of a positive diagnosis.