

# COVID-19

## Isolated Classroom Plan

Due to the advantage of having a smaller overall school body size, face-to-face school for the full school body resumes on the first day of school. Our classroom groups (Preschool, K, 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8) remain mostly isolated from one another throughout the school day to minimize spread of any sickness between grade level groups.

**Additional Aspects of this Plan (this is a living document; many aspects may be added or deleted before school starts or as the school year continues.)**

- Macord Johnson will serve as the COVID-19 Program coordinator (Responsible for communicating concerns, challenges, and lessons learned related to COVID-19, preventive activities as needed with staff, students/families, and local health officials.)
- A supervised isolation area will be set up to send any students immediately if they are feeling ill. This area must be monitored (by person or video) whenever a student is present in it.
- Chapel will be conducted but classrooms will be in different locations in the sanctuary
- Students and staff experiencing the following symptoms should be kept at home or sent home immediately when symptoms begin: Fever, chills, a new cough, shortness of breath, sore throat, muscle aches, headache, or loss of smell or taste
- Students and staff should remain home if they have been recently in close contact with a person with COVID-19, until they meet the criteria to return
- Conduct daily temperature screening of all students and staff. Those with a fever will be asked to remain home. A fever is defined as 100.4 or higher
- Students will wash hands or use hand sanitizer whenever returning inside from recess
- Activities that mix together grade level groups will be placed on hold until COVID-19 risks are minimized. (Jr. Choir, Pod activities, field trips)
- Face coverings are required for students age 6 years and up. Pre-K will be using face shields

Some exemptions for wearing face masks are listed here

<https://www.health.state.mn.us/diseases/coronavirus/facecover.html>

- Teacher supervised, careful hand washing before consuming any food (snack time, lunches)

- Disinfecting of classroom surfaces prior to any lunch/snack
- Classroom desks are spread out as much as possible with the available space we have
- Hot lunch is served from the kitchen with only one classroom being served at a time.
- Grade level groups eat lunch in their classrooms to keep groups isolated.
- Before and after school, students are discouraged from congregating near the exits and go straight from classrooms to vehicles or walking and vice versa
  
- When waiting for rides home after school, students will stand socially distanced apart
  
- Gym Classes should be held outdoors whenever possible
  
- Hand sanitizer stations will be available in each classroom. Students will be encouraged to use them after blowing their nose, sneezing or coughing, and after touching objects that have been touched by multiple people
  
- Whenever possible, classrooms will avoid sharing of electronic devices, books, toys, and learning aids. Shared items will be disinfected daily. Students will be provided their own assigned item whenever possible.
  
- Teaching staff will post assignments and resources online daily to allow students with symptoms or those at risk to keep up with learning from home (and to reduce pressure to rush back to school after being ill). In addition, the school day will be live-streamed for any absent students each day.
  
- Students should bring their own water bottles to school. Drinking Fountains will only be used to fill water bottles with our touch-less bottle filling stations.