



# Saint John the Baptist Catholic School

## Policies and Procedures

Part 2: Safety Measures at SJB



# Presentation Outline

- Describe what SJB is doing to keep everyone safe
  - Improved air flow and increased outdoor activity
  - Face coverings
  - Consistent monitoring for signs and symptoms
  - Social distancing practices
  - Use of space throughout SJB
  - Sanitization and cleanliness
- Explain the morning drop-off routine (screening prior to entering school)
- Describe containment, quarantine and isolation protocols:
  - What happens if I suspect my child has been exposed?
  - What occurs if someone at school has COVID-19 symptoms?
- Expectations and requirements for parents/guardians
  - Vigilance, best practices and expectations



# How will SJB keep everyone safe?

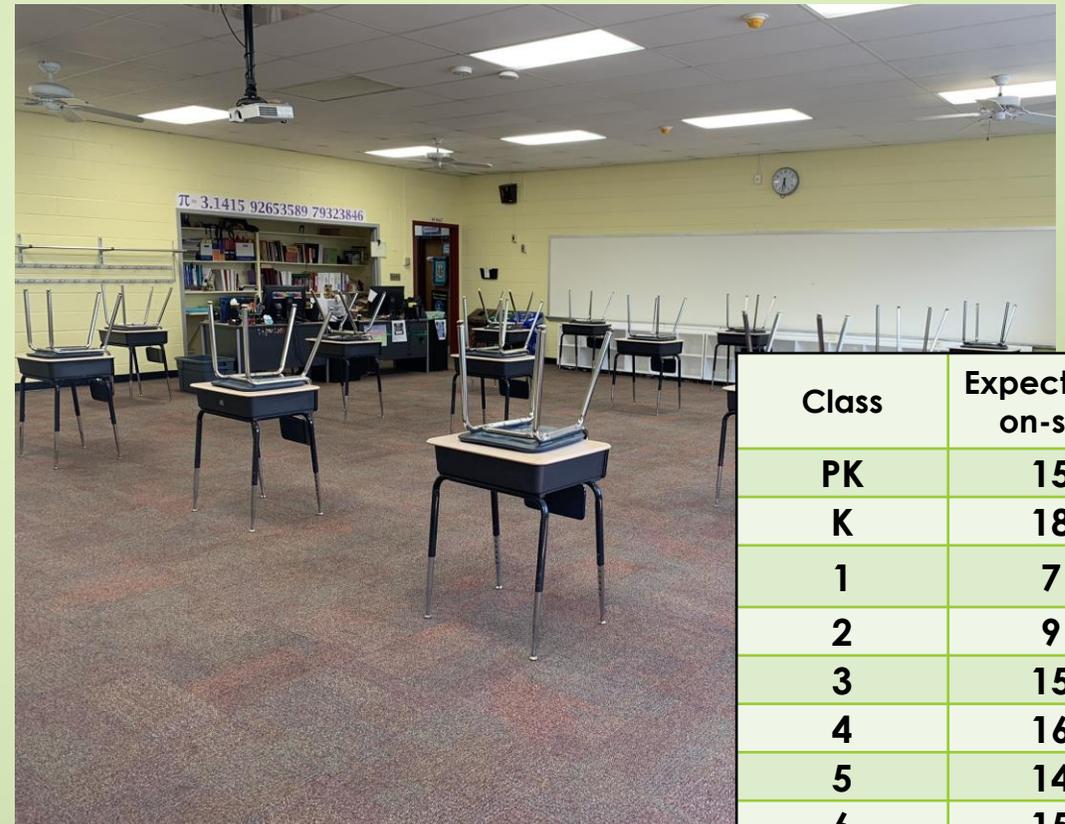
Safety measures, safeguards, and other strategies for SJB school



# Improved air flow and increased spacing in classrooms

- Smaller class sizes
  - Anticipated: 50-60% in-person; 40-50% distance learning
- Desks spaced six feet apart
- Masks worn by all
- Three-sided student desk shields
- Outdoor classes encouraged
  - Yoga mats for seating
- Optimal air system filters changed every 8 weeks
- Doors and windows opened

## What a classroom will look like:



Class	Expected # on-site
PK	15
K	18
1	7
2	9
3	15
4	16
5	14
6	15
7	16
8	13



# Consistent monitoring for signs /symptoms

- Health and safety training for SJB faculty and students
- Screening for all students and staff each morning
  - Parents should assess their children every day for signs and symptoms
- Parents/guardians are expected to leave children home who have symptoms such as:
  - Fever (plus 100.4)
  - Chills
  - Cough
  - Tiredness
  - Aches and pains
  - Sore throat
  - Diarrhea
  - Headache
  - Congestion/runny nose
  - Lost of taste or smell
  - Difficulty breathing
  - Nausea/vomiting



# Use of space throughout SJB

- Students stay in same room while teachers move room-to-room
- Tents, chairs, tables, and yoga mats available for outdoor lunch, outdoor breaks, and some outdoor classes
- Small-group lessons in rooms with windows:
  - Art room
  - Computer lab
  - Library
  - Lyon Center: folding walls create two rooms with outside windows



# Sanitization and cleanliness practices

- Electrostatic disinfection equipment for regular sanitization of school
  - Five staff members trained to operate industrial-level disinfectant sprayer
- Student hand washing every 90 minutes
- Surface cleaning throughout the day
- Disinfecting of surfaces and school materials during school day
- Deep cleaning/disinfecting each afternoon after students have left
- Each student brings personal tissues and hand sanitizer to keep at desk
- Families should consider having a 1-2 week supply of cloth masks that can be washed daily



# Morning Screening

- At morning drop-off, three teachers move down the drop-off line to screen students
- Each student has a daily temperature reading taken at the car
- Temperature reading of 100.4 or more = student stays in car
- Each family is asked 3 questions about potential exposure
- Once cleared, parent drives away and student enters classroom
- Parent brings late student to front porch for temperature reading



# What happens if a student has signs or symptoms?

Plan of action for isolation and quarantine



# What happens if you suspect that your child has been exposed?

- Families inform school of illness or potential exposure to Covid-19 at home or elsewhere as soon as possible
- If a child has been exposed, the child must stay home for two weeks. Student returns with doctor's clearance.
- If a student has Covid-19 symptoms or signs, the student stays in isolation room and parent is notified that child must be picked up. Child returns to school with doctor's written clearance.

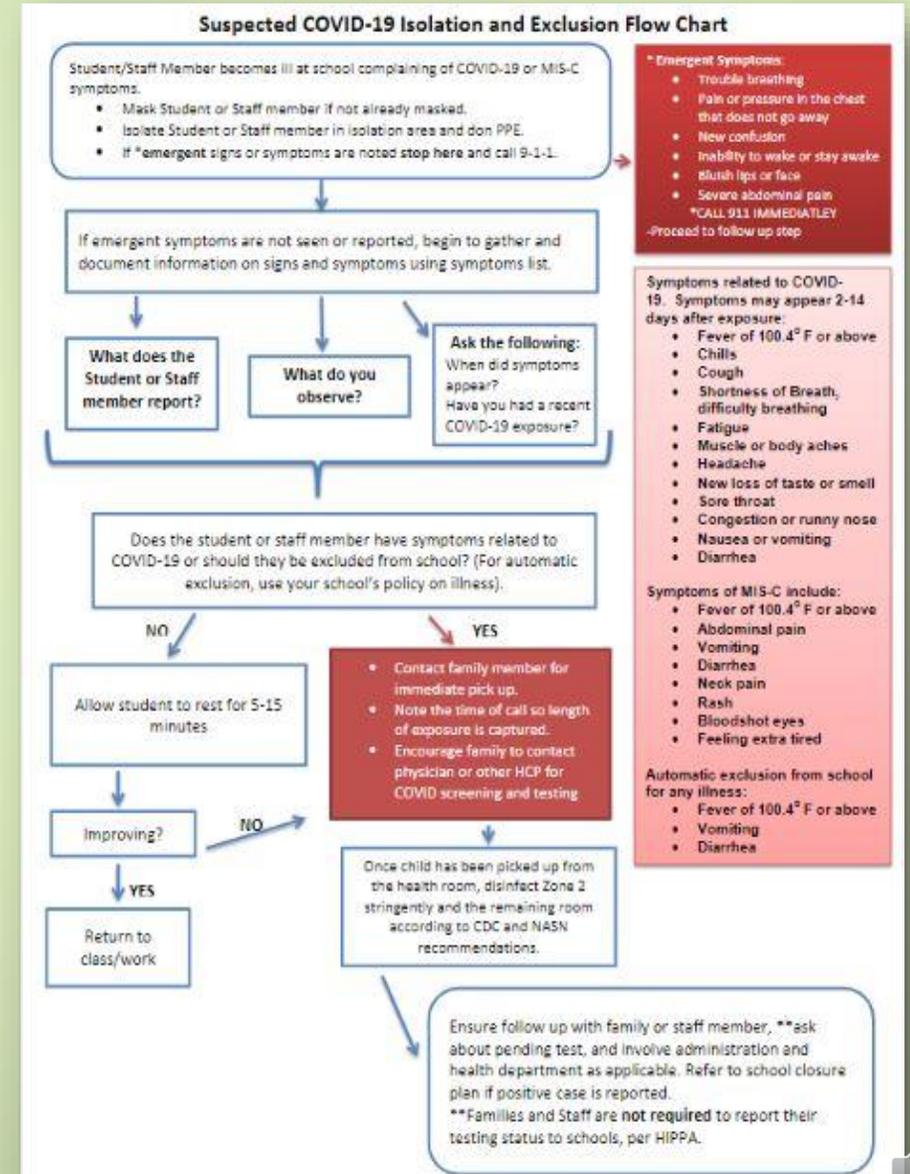


# What if someone is found to have symptoms at school?

- Individual goes to isolation room
  - Large Study across from School Office
  - Attending staff wear personal protective equipment (PPE)
- Attendants record emergent and illness-like signs and symptoms, information about exposure
- Parent gets notice to retrieve child

## If a student has a confirmed case of Covid-19...

- School coordinates with Maryland State Department of Health on contact tracing
- Group members and contacts (students and teachers) are notified and told to quarantine
- School communicates information and response to families
- School schedule may be adjusted for cleaning



# Requirements of Families

A community-based approach to reducing risk of spread



# Your role as a parent/guardian

- Reduce risk of exposure and spread throughout the school year:
  - Inform school and self-quarantine if you suspect exposure by someone in your household
  - Avoid non-essential travel. If you travel, get tested upon return. If you and your child visit a state with a positivity rate of 10% or higher, child learns by distance during 14-day quarantine.
  - If you suspect your kids are sick, keep them home and make appointment with doctor
  - Have back-up babysitting options and other contingency plans
  - Avoid group gatherings
  - Practice social distancing and mask wearing per CDC guidelines



# In-School Expectations for Families

## **Families should...**

Report family/household exposure to school right away

Self-quarantine if you suspect that there has been an exposure

Practice social distancing inside and outside of school

Comply with morning screenings (i.e., do not provide children with fever-reducing medication)

## **SJB Faculty will...**

Report any potential exposure to school right away

Self-quarantine and instruct from home if exposure is suspected

Practice social distancing inside and outside of school

Undergo the same daily screening as the students



# Distance-Learning Expectations

## Families should...

Understand distance learning classes are 8 am - 3 pm

Contact teacher with concerns

Understand that distance learners may notify school of plan to switch to in-school learning on two dates in the 1st quarter: **Sept. 16** and **Oct. 28**

## SJB Faculty will...

Provide livestream instruction to distant learners

Respond to parent concerns

Provide regular scheduled support for distance learners, strive for equitable learning for distance learners, provide school materials for pick-up



# Questions?

See the FAQ and Family Resources documents on the Reopening Page of the school website. Submit questions using the online form provided by email.

