

K - 8

COVID-19 Return to Learn Plan

for

Our Savior Lutheran School

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This document is the COVID-19 Return to Learn Plan for Our Savior Lutheran School that is made public to inform our school community. It is not intended to detail every change to our school year as we adapt to these changing pandemic conditions. Our K-8 School and Early Childhood, and K8 Extended Care will each develop their own specific plans for further adaptation. These details are communicated on our website and via email.

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K8 Students & Staff

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

- ✚ It is **highly recommended**, staff wear facial coverings when indoors, except (1) during meals and (2) unless face coverings cannot be medically tolerated as documented through written and signed verification by a physician.
- ✚ It is **highly recommended** that all students, kindergarten through 8th grade, wear facial coverings when indoors except (1) during meals and (2) unless face coverings cannot be medically tolerated as documented through written and signed verification by a physician, with parental consent for students.

VACCINATION

- ✚ Vaccination against COVID-19 is not required but encouraged for employees and eligible students.

HYGIENE

- ✚ Provide adequate supplies to support healthy hygiene behaviors (including soap, hand sanitizer for safe use by staff and students, paper towels, tissues, and signs reinforcing proper handwashing techniques).
- ✚ Teach and reinforce handwashing with soap and water for at least 20 seconds and/or the safe use of hand sanitizer.
- ✚ Systematically and frequently check and refill soap and hand sanitizers.
- ✚ Daily, provide opportunities for handwashing with soap and water by students and teachers.
- ✚ Limit sharing of personal items and supplies such as writing utensils.

SPACING, MOVEMENT AND ACCESS

- ✚ Space students as far apart as feasible in classrooms, whether desks or tables are utilized.
- ✚ Classroom seating charts will be synced from classroom to classroom where feasible as cohorts change classrooms for specials and learning activities. Students will be consistently seated within this pod system to assist with contact tracing.

- ✚ Place markers at three to six-foot intervals where line formation is anticipated.
- ✚ Post signs in restrooms to indicate proper social distancing and hand hygiene techniques.
- ✚ School visitors may enter the school building with access to the following areas: receptionist office and school office.
- ✚ A log of all visitors is required. Logs should document the date, contact information, and arrival/departure times.

SCREENING STUDENTS AND STAFF

- ✚ Parents should monitor their children for symptoms of infectious illness every day through home-based symptom screening.
- ✚ Students and staff who are sick or displaying symptoms of infectious illness should not attend school and seek medical care when necessary.
- ✚ Symptomatic students and staff sent home from school will stay home until they have tested negative or have completely recovered according to health department guidelines.

TESTING PROTOCOLS FOR STUDENTS AND STAFF AND RESPONDING TO POSITIVE CASES


- ✚ Cooperate with the local public health department regarding implementing protocols for screening students and staff.
- ✚ The school will continue to follow the BEDHD recommendations for quarantine guidance and testing scenarios. See page 5 & 6.

New school quarantine guidance below from BEDHD/MDHHS on December 3rd, 2021




School Quarantine Guidance

What to do when a student is exposed to COVID-19 in a school setting, **but doesn't have symptoms.**

Students experiencing symptoms should not attend school activities.



Michigan.gov/Coronavirus

Fully Vaccinated 	Fully vaccinated contacts without symptoms do not need to quarantine.
Unvaccinated (both the exposed student and the COVID+ student were masked) 	Contacts can participate in school activities if wearing a mask for 14 days after exposure and using a "Test to Stay" strategy.*
Unvaccinated (one or both students unmasked) 	If additional testing and mitigation strategies are used, contacts may participate in school activities at the discretion of the local health department.

**Test to Stay suggested approach: Test every other day for 7 days after exposure.*

Students who test positive for COVID-19 should not attend school and should isolate at home for 10 days after symptom onset (or 10 days after the positive test if they do not have symptoms).

MDHHS continues to recommend universal masking in all K-12 school settings.



For more information, visit Michigan.gov/Coronavirus.

COVID-19 POSITIVE OR EXPOSED AT SCHOOL



NOTE: If a child receives the COVID-19 vaccine, they **do not** have to quarantine if it has been 2 weeks+ since their final dose.

WHEN CAN CHILDREN BE AROUND OTHERS AGAIN?



LET'S HELP STOP THE SPREAD OF CORONAVIRUS

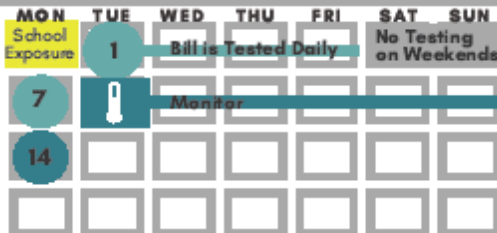
NEW THIS YEAR**

TESTING SCENARIOS

School Exposure w/ Daily Testing

SCENARIO 1

Bill is exposed at school on Monday. He does not have symptoms and is tested at school daily for 7 days. He is also monitored for symptoms for 14 days.



Bill is tested daily at school for 7 days after exposure.

School Exposure w/ 7 day Test-Out

SCENARIO 2

Alberto is exposed at school on Monday and begins quarantine. He tests negative on day 6 or 7 and is able to leave quarantine on day 8.



Alberto does not have to complete the 10-day quarantine.

Isolation- for people with symptoms or a positive COVID-19 test.
Quarantine- for people who are well but who are close contacts of (i.e. exposed to) someone who is ill.
Close contact- someone who was within 6 feet of a person who is sick for 15 minutes or more (can be cumulative) within a 24-hour period. This can be anytime during the sick person's isolation or two days before the person got sick. This is regardless of face mask use.



Barry-Eaton District Health Department barryeatonhealth.org
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School Exposure w/ Quarantine

SCENARIO 3

Sasha was exposed at school to a positive COVID-19 case on Monday. Sasha feels well, but she will quarantine for at least 10 days from the last close contact.

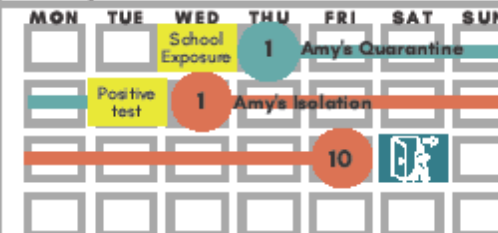


If well, she may monitor for symptoms on days 11-14.

Asymptomatic Case

SCENARIO 4

Amy was exposed at school to a positive COVID-19 case. Amy began to quarantine and tests positive after 5 days even though she never felt sick.



The positive test starts isolation since Amy is asymptomatic.

Household Quarantine and Isolation

SCENARIO 5

Jake, was exposed at school. Jake quarantines for 4 days and gets sick. Now, Jake isolates and his brother Tom quarantines. Tom lives with Jake. He is exposed until Jake's isolation ends.



Tom's quarantine starts when Jake gets sick, but the 10-day count starts after Tom's last exposure to Jake. Jake is considered potentially infectious during his entire isolation period.

- Cooperate with the local public health department if a confirmed case of COVID-19 is identified, and in particular, collect the contact information for any close

contacts of the affected individual from two days before he or she showed symptoms to the time when he or she was last present at the school. The Local Health Department will initiate contact tracing, following regular public health practice.

- ✚ ***New 12/10/21*** -- Recovered students are treated as fully vaccinated for 90 days.

FOOD SERVICE, GATHERING, AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- ✚ School chapel is permitted provided that all worship guidelines are followed including students seating 4 to 6 feet apart where feasible.
- ✚ Most Music classes contain individual cohorts. Middle school music cohorts will be separated and have 6ft spacing where feasible.
- ✚ Lunch Eating Area Options
 - When the lunchroom(Commons) is used four to six feet of distance between students with three or four students spread out at a table. Only one or two classes will be permitted in the lunch room at a time. Classrooms will sit on opposite sides of the lunchroom.
 - When the classrooms are used for lunch, students will eat at their desk spaces with cleaning before and after lunch.
- ✚ Field Trips are permitted. Grouping classroom students in carpools is advised.
- ✚ Offsite and overnight retreats are permitted.
- ✚ K-8 Extended Care (Before & After-school care) requires masks to be worn by students and staff in the Commons due to mixed cohorts. Extended care will continue to follow LARA guidelines and requirements.

ATHLETICS

- ✚ Schools will comply with all guidance published by Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSAA).

- ✚ Student athletes and coaches are highly recommended to wear masks but not required during school athletics.
- ✚ Every participant should confirm that they are healthy and without any symptoms prior to any event.
- ✚ Students, teachers, and staff must use proper hand hygiene techniques before and after every practice, event, or other gathering.
- ✚ All equipment must be disinfected before and after use.
- ✚ Indoor spectator events are permitted. Masks are strongly recommended but not required. Social distancing is encouraged.

CLEANING

- ✚ Student desk and work spaces will be sanitized after classroom use throughout each school day.
- ✚ Hallways and restrooms will be sanitized on a daily basis
- ✚ Frequently touched surfaces including light switches, doors, benches, bathrooms, will undergo cleaning each day with either an EPA-approved disinfectant.
- ✚ Libraries and other hands-on classrooms will undergo cleaning after every class period or when cohorts change classrooms, with either an EPA-approved disinfectant or diluted bleach solution.
- ✚ Student desks will be wiped down with either an EPA-approved disinfectant after every class period, or when cohorts change classrooms.
- ✚ Ensure safe and correct use and storage of cleaning and disinfection products, including storing products securely away from children, and with adequate ventilation when staff uses products.

MENTAL & SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL HEALTH

- ✚ Our Savior will foster an environment of Christian compassion and respect for others' decisions regarding vaccination statuses and use of masks.
- ✚ School personnel will continue to monitor the mental, social, academic, emotional, and spiritual well-being of all students and staff providing intervention, assistance, and support when needed.