# Returning to School Under COVID-19

At Holy Spirit Catholic School



## Guiding Principles



- Health and Safety
- High Quality Education
- Choices for Families
- We Are the Body of Christ

## **Options for Families**

#### **In-Person Learning**

Students will be at school 5 full days a week, following a normal schedule. Safeguards will be in place to reduce the spread of COVID-19.

\*We have a blended plan for students to attend only certain days of the week, but this will only be used if we are ordered to do so by the county.

#### **Distance Learning**

K-8 students participate in distance learning at home using a chromebook supplied by school. Students participate in Google Meets and get assignments on Google Classrooms.

Preschool students receive weekly newsletters with activities.

Families will be asked to make a selection by August 2.

## Health and Safety

- Screenings
  - For all students, staff, and visitors
  - Include screening questions and temperature check
- Face Masks
  - Required for all adults and students grade 4 and up
  - Encouraged for grades K to 3, and required when physical distancing is not possible
- Physical Distancing
  - Students will be spaced 6 feet apart in classrooms and the cafeteria
  - Upper-grade teachers will move between classrooms so students may stay in place
  - $\circ$   $\hfill Recess area will be divided so classes do not mix$
- Teaching and Reinforcing Good Hygiene Practices
- Limit Shared Supplies All Students K-8 will have a chromebook
- Sanitizing



## Making Distance Learning Work



- Chromebooks for students to use at home
- "Live-streamed" classes on Google Meet
  - Students can ask questions in real time
  - Students can do partner/group work through the video connection
- Assignments posted on Google Classroom and turned in online
- Google Meets recorded for students who cannot participate in real time.

## Adapting to Possible County Regulations

We are ready to adapt to possible regulations that may be placed by the county.

- Our goal: in-person school 5 days a week for those who choose it
- If the county places a limit on in-person class size, we will adjust to a <u>hybrid</u> plan, with two groups of students each attending two days a week in person and distance learning three days. All students in each family will be kept on the same schedule. (Groupings will be decided after families select in-person or distance learning.)
- If the county closes school buildings, we will adjust to distance learning for all.

## Source Documents

- CDC <u>https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/schools.html</u>
- St. Louis County Department of Public Health
  <u>https://stlcorona.com/dr-pages-messages/covid-19-safe-operating-protocols/return-to-school-guidance/</u>
- American Academy of Pediatrics

https://services.aap.org/en/pages/2019-novel-coronavirus-covid-19-infections/clinical-guidance/covid-19-planning-consideration <u>s-return-to-in-person-education-in-schools/</u>

