



Saint Saviour High School Town Hall Meeting

August 12, 2020

Summary:

The following procedures, topics and concerns were reviewed by Principal Mrs. Timpone and members of the Re-entry Team:

- **Hybrid Learning and Re-Entry Plan submitted to NYS** (See link for plan)
 - **Hybrid learning:** Teachers and staff will be present in school each day.
 - **Students will alternate days attending class in-person at school, and virtually attending class from home.**
 - Classrooms will be at half capacity.
 - Students will follow their schedule through the day, whether she is in-person or remote.
 - Schedules will include free periods, which will have assigned places when in school.
- **Full Remote Option**
 - Full Remote/Virtual learning is available to families.
 - Families **must contact Mrs. Timpone** if choosing this option, **ASAP**.
 - This plan and student performance will be evaluated each month.
 - Full remote learning is **only** an option for the first quarter at present.
- **COVID-19 Molecular Swab Test**
 - It is confirmed that all persons - administration, faculty, staff and students, **are required** to submit a negative COVID-19 molecular swab test **taken after August 20th, before returning to school.**
 - **Test results must be uploaded to Magnus before orientation.** If for some reason you **cannot** upload the results, you **must bring documentation with you to school** the day of orientation in order to attend. *
- **COVID Kiosk**
 - A thermal machine has been purchased, which everyone entering the building must pass through. The machine recognizes students, faculty, staff & visitors. The kiosk will take temperatures, check for masks and also take the daily attendance.
- **Face Masks**
 - It is confirmed that all persons - administration, faculty, staff and students, are required to wear face masks at all times in school. Masks will be available if forgotten.
- **Faculty Professional Development**
 - Faculty will have a Professional Day **before** the opening of school to recognize the signs of COVID-19 and the proper procedures to follow.
 - Many current faculty members have been certified in First Aid and CPR protocol.
 - The principal is looking into the possibility of hiring a school nurse.

* (These instructions were clarified after the Town Hall Meeting.)

- **Orientation**
 - Any student coming to orientation *must submit a negative COVID-19 test dated after August 20, 2020.*
 - Orientation will be in-person and a *virtual orientation will be made available to students choosing full remote learning.*
- **Class Attendance**
 - Attendance will be taken daily in each class, just as before. It is the **parent/guardian's responsibility to call in an absence before 8:00 am daily.**
 - **Options:** If the student is sick due to seasonal allergies, etc., the parent/guardian has options. Parents will choose **Virtual School** or **No School** for that day.
 - **No School will count as an absence.**
 - **Both options require an absent note.** Students may return to school with an absent note, *provided the student is fever-free and symptom-free. Please note this does not apply if the student has been exposed to Covid-19 or has a positive test result.*
- **School's Response to a Positive COVID-19 test:**
 - The positive student will be **isolated** on the premise until their parent/guardian can come to take their daughter home.
 - Students will be **dismissed** and **school will be closed.** All will continue with remote learning for a minimum of two weeks.
 - Person can **return** to the building **after having a negative COVID-19 test.**
 - **Students and families should choose remote learning for 2 weeks if they feel the student has been exposed to COVID-19.**
- **Contact Tracing Protocols**
 - Any person - administration, faculty, staff, or student **with a positive COVID-19 test must notify the principal, Mrs. Timpone, immediately.** Contact tracing protocols will be followed.
- **High Efficiency Sanitizing Sprayer.**
 - A sanitizing machine has been secured for daily use in all classrooms/ common areas.
 - Solvents used are safe, and provide for reliable application to reduce bacteria and viruses, eliminating 99% bacteria and are lethal to **COVID-19.**
- **Sanitizing/Cleaning of Premises**
 - It is confirmed that the school building, including all surfaces, will be sanitized and cleaned throughout the school day, as well as at the end of each school.
 - Additional staff has been hired to sanitize throughout the school day.
 - Air purifiers/ Lasko towers have been researched; nothing has been confirmed to date.
- **Social Distancing:**
 - Properly spaced **lockers** will be assigned to enforce social distancing.
 - *Returning students* will be able to empty their lockers during orientation.
 - *Students not attending orientation* may make an appointment to pick up their locker contents curbside. Please call or email to set an appointment.
 - **Textbooks** will be online whenever possible. If actual textbooks are required, full remote families will be given options to acquire them.

- The school building will have markings indicating **foot traffic direction** for smooth travel, at the same time maintaining social distancing.
 - Students will change classes.
 - **Restrooms** will be monitored by hall proctors throughout the day, and locked when not in use.
- **Technology**
 - Internet and Ethernet services have been upgraded. A Fiber Optic cable has been installed to optimize internet use.
- **Cafeteria Service**
 - There will be ***no cafeteria service through October***.
 - Students are encouraged to eat breakfast at home and bring a small snack/lunch to school.
 - ***No dropping off of food*** for students, and deliveries will be ***turned away*** at the door.
 - The **school day will be extended by 20 minutes** to allow for an eat-in-place lunch.
- **Science Labs**
 - All **labs** will be **virtual**.
- **Art Classes**
 - There will be **no sharing of art supplies**.
 - Each student will have her own materials.
 - Art fees are for Sophomores and Seniors, not freshmen.
 - Juniors do not take art classes.
- **Music Classes**
 - All **keyboards** will be cleaned and disinfected between classes.
- **GYM Uniforms**
 - Students will arrive at school ***wearing their gym uniforms on gym days***, keeping the gym uniform on throughout the remainder of the day.
 - The locker room will be **closed** to students.
- **Student Sports**
 - Students choosing the hybrid **or** full remote models can play sports.
 - More details to follow; or you may email Ms. Sanchez with specific questions.
- **State Mandated Drills**
 - Fire code compliance and emergency drills will be in effect.
- **Back to School Liturgy**
 - At the present time, the mass of the Holy Spirit will be virtual.
- **Song Contest**
 - At present, no decision has been made regarding our Song Contest. Administration confirms that every attempt will be made to keep the tradition while meeting all requirements for social distancing, etc... Mr. Huie and Ms. Draghi are working on a plan.
- **September Awards Assembly**
 - This years' Awards Assembly will be in late fall; date & details TBD.