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### OC CATHOLIC SCHOOLS SUPPORT THE RAPID AND SAFE REOPENING OF CALIFORNIA SCHOOLS

July 23, 2020

Dear OC Catholic School Parents,

I pray this message finds you healthy and well as we navigate these extraordinary times.

On behalf of the Diocese of Orange Department of Catholic Schools, I am pleased to share [this statement](#) from our California Catholic Bishops. Through the [California Catholic Conference](#) which is the official public policy voice of the Catholic Church in California, our bishops call on Governor Newsom to rapidly develop safe procedures to reopen schools.

While we cannot predict what the COVID-19 pandemic will look like this fall, OC Catholic Schools have implemented a number of enhanced health and safety measures based on guidance from local health and government authorities, including gathering parent feedback on how to best proceed.

We are in support of this effort by our Catholic Bishops in urging the Governor to expedite regulations that will enable local health authorities to grant waivers to reopen schools for in-person instruction. There are nearly 11 million Catholics in California and the Catholic Church is the largest private provider of health care, social services and education in the state.

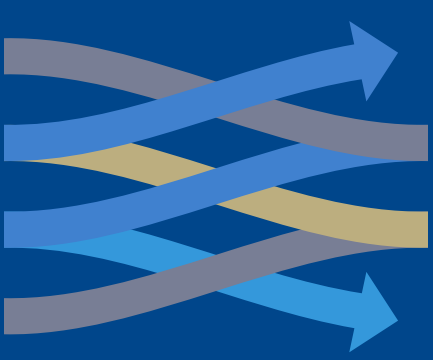
I am grateful to the many parents who have reached out to me these past few days expressing their desire to re-open Catholic school campuses. We are currently exploring the waiver process in Orange County as stated in the revised state guidelines. While we explore this option, I ask you and your families to join us in urging Governor Newsom to let us reopen Catholic schools for in-person learning by filling out this short, 2-minute state-run survey: [click here](#). Alternatively, write a personal letter to the Governor expressing your support on the safe reopening of California schools. Letters can be addressed to:

**Governor Gavin Newsom**  
1303 10th Street, Suite 1173  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Thank you for your time and attention to this effort, and thank you for your support of Catholic education.

In mission,

Erin C.O. Barisano, Ed.D.  
Superintendent of Schools  
Diocese of Orange



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### Letter from the President and Principal

Dear Eagle Community,

Santa Margarita Catholic High School, in collaboration with the Diocese of Orange, has affirmed the school's reopening plan for the 2020-2021 school year. At the forefront of our efforts is the safety and wellbeing of our students, families, faculty and staff while maintaining a high standard of excellence in Catholic education.

We remain confident we are well-positioned to provide a robust educational experience that is academically rich, socially rewarding and grounded in faith regardless of the modality. To ensure continued success in the fall, our faculty will participate in an additional comprehensive professional development program with a focus on personalized educational technology training, COVID-19 safety, mental health and wellness, and diversity and inclusion.

"Moving Forward," the SMCHS reopening plan, provides an overview of our model adhering to the guidelines received from the Diocese of Orange as well as numerous agencies at the national, state and local levels. The plan includes safety protocols and instructional schedules for implementation as permitted. The 2020-2021 school year is comprised of *four unique schedules* to support health, safety and learning.

**Virtual** – Distance learning via our globally recognized Microsoft 1-to-1 tablet program

**Blended Plus\*** – Simultaneous on-campus and virtual instruction

**Transitional Block\*** – Four days of on-campus, in-person instruction and one day of virtual instruction

**Full Block\*** – All students on campus with in-person instruction

*\*Full virtual option available upon request. Please contact your school counselor.*

These schedules will be implemented in stages to reopen our campus as quickly and safely as possible in accordance with state, county and diocesan authorization. At this time, SMCHS will open with the virtual schedule per Governor Newsom's recent orders. In addition, the first day of school for SMCHS will now be **Monday, August 17** to allow for an initial full week of instruction. Parents are encouraged to attend one of two webinars scheduled for August 4 and August 6, which will provide further details for the upcoming 2020-2021 school year. More information will be forthcoming.

Your continued partnership and collaboration is greatly appreciated as we move forward as one Eagle community. Together, we will rise to the occasion ready to embark upon a new year with hope, faith and Christ at the center of all we do.

Caritas Christi,

J. Andrew Sulick '91  
President

Cheri L. Wood  
Principal



# INSTRUCTIONAL MODELS

# Instructional Models for Flexibility

As SMCHS seeks to reopen, the health and well-being of our students, faculty, staff and families is of utmost importance while maintaining our high standard of excellence in Catholic education. We will begin the 2020-2021 school year with four progressive schedules to support health, safety and learning. These schedules will be implemented in stages to reopen our campus as quickly and safely as possible in accordance with state, county and diocesan authorization.



## Full Virtual NO ON-CAMPUS INSTRUCTION

- Distance learning via our globally recognized Microsoft 1-to-1 tablet PC program.
- Live teacher-led instruction
- Real-time feedback and collaboration
- Attendance will be taken each class period
- Full support from SMCHS Tech Services



## Blended Plus 50% ON-CAMPUS INSTRUCTION

- Students will attend classes on campus or virtually based upon a group designation.
- Groups will rotate weekly between morning and afternoon sessions for on-campus instruction.
- Students who are unable to leave between shifts will be assigned to pods and will attend classes virtually in pre-arranged learning areas.
- Full virtual option available upon request.

### MONDAY & TUESDAY:

- Students will attend classes on campus and virtually

### WEDNESDAY:

- This day provides the opportunity for the campus to be further sanitized and disinfected.
- SM Testing Center will be open for students to make up tests.
- Instructor office hours are available for additional assistance
- Opportunities for extra and co-curricular activities to take place when authoritative guidance allows

### THURSDAY & FRIDAY:

- Students will attend classes on campus and virtually



## Transitional Block 80% ON-CAMPUS INSTRUCTION

- One day of virtual, four days on campus

### MONDAY

- All periods day which will take place virtually.

### TUESDAY-FRIDAY

- On-campus instruction following a block schedule.
- Full virtual option available upon request.



## Full Block 100% ON-CAMPUS INSTRUCTION

- Five days a week with on-campus instruction.
- Monday is all periods day.
- Periods 1-7 rotate.
- Details for bell schedules noted as special schedules on the SM master calendar may be found on the school's website under the heading of parents, then bell schedules.
- Please reference the school's website and calendar for the most current information regarding events and bell schedules.



# Full Virtual model

SMCHS offers a comprehensive virtual learning program including teacher-led live classroom instruction with engaging discussions, real-time collaboration with students and teachers, participation in online study groups, video conferences with teachers during office hours, and assessments to measure student learning outcomes reliably.

## Virtual Program Details

- Live teacher-led instruction
- Students will receive real-time feedback through Teams assignments, OneNote pages and Forms quizzes, among other tools and activities.
- Focus on social-emotional learning limiting students' stress while maintaining rigor and maximizing student learning
- Counselors and wellness coordinator available for video conferences
- Attendance will be taken each class period to hold students accountable and keep them on track. If a student is ill and unable to attend class, a parent or legal guardian must email [attendance@smhs.org](mailto:attendance@smhs.org)
- Students are expected to follow all posted deadlines and communicate any technical difficulties prior to a deadline. Grades will be posted in the Aeries gradebook.
- Every student has the same school-issued device and tools creating equity and consistency.

Santa Margarita Catholic High School's state-of-the-art EdTech program provides a student-centered immersive learning experience. SMCHS is one of 41 Microsoft Showcase Schools nationally recognized for innovation in learning enabled by technology for the sixth straight year.

 Microsoft  
Showcase School



## Our Learning Platform

### Microsoft Teams:

Teams is the ultimate collaborative tool where teachers and students can interact through live meetings, group discussion boards, teacher-created assignments and more. Teams not only allows teachers the ability to communicate with students, but it also allows for sharing files, important due dates and creating small group discussions/interaction. All students enrolled in a particular class are part of a specific Team. Each class Team has a class notebook in OneNote to help maximize organization and workflow success. Microsoft Teams Insights allows teachers to track student activity, including on-time assignments, classroom activity and participation in discussion board questions.

### OneNote Class Notebook:

With OneNote, students can organize their class materials including lecture notes, homework, classwork, essays and more. Teachers can grade student work in real-time, providing instant feedback.

### Office 365:

Access to Office 365 gives students the tools they need to be efficient including OneDrive, Word, PowerPoint, Excel, Outlook and other tools in the Microsoft Office Suite.

### Learning Portal:

The Learning Portal is a web-based bulletin board where teachers can post messages, assignments, files and important due dates.

Parents can login to any of the tools mentioned below with their student's email address and password. For Teams, OneNote and Office 365, visit [www.office.com](http://www.office.com) and for the Learning Portal please go to [lp15.smhs.org](http://lp15.smhs.org).

## What are students and teachers doing during remote learning?

### Live Lectures:

Teachers will meet with students during their scheduled class time through Microsoft Teams. During these live Teams meetings, teachers can share their screen, lecture with OneNote, display a PowerPoint or any other resources just as they would in the classroom. Students have the ability to ask questions in real-time, connect with their teachers and classmates and take notes – as needed – by splitting the screen and using OneNote along with Teams. Classes can be recorded for students to refer to later if needed.

### Group and Instructor-Led Classwork:

When teachers are not conducting live lectures during class time, students will be encouraged to utilize the time for group and independent work. Students can use Microsoft Teams to create small group forums or even hold study sessions with classmates.



Full Virtual		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
<b>BLOCK 1</b>	9:00am - 10:15am	Period 1	Period 5	Period 1	Period 5
	10:15am-10:20am	Passing period	Passing period	Passing period	Passing period
<b>BLOCK 2</b>	10:20am-11:35am	Period 2	Period 6	Period 2	Period 6
	11:35am-12:00pm	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
	12:00pm-12:05pm	Passing period	Passing period	Passing period	Passing period
<b>BLOCK 3</b>	12:05pm-1:20pm	Period 3	Period 7	Period 3	Period 7
	1:20pm-1:25pm	Passing period	Passing period	Passing period	Passing period
<b>BLOCK 4</b>	1:25pm-2:40pm	Period 4	Office Hours	Period 4	Office Hours

FRIDAY Full Virtual, all periods day		
<b>BLOCK 1</b>	8:00am - 8:45am	Period 1
	8:45am - 8:50am	Passing period
<b>BLOCK 2</b>	8:50am - 9:35am	Period 2
	9:35am - 9:50am	Break
<b>BLOCK 3</b>	9:50am - 10:35am	Period 3
	10:35am - 10:40am	Passing period
<b>BLOCK 4</b>	10:40am - 11:25am	Period 4
	11:25am - 12:05pm	Lunch
	12:05pm - 12:10pm	Passing period
<b>BLOCK 5</b>	12:10pm - 12:55pm	Period 5
	12:55pm - 1:00pm	Passing period
<b>BLOCK 6</b>	1:00pm - 1:45pm	Period 6
	1:45pm - 1:50pm	Passing period
<b>BLOCK 7</b>	1:50pm - 2:35pm	Period 7

**Please note:**  
The SMCHS website and app will have specific details on each day's schedule.

## Students Tech Center Helpdesk

Our IT technicians remain ready to serve our students and families.

**Hours:** Monday-Friday from 7:30-3:30 p.m.

- The best way to get assistance is to put in a work ticket request at [home.smhsstudents.org](http://home.smhsstudents.org), just as if you were at school.
- If additional assistance is needed, you can email [techcenter@smhs.org](mailto:techcenter@smhs.org). Please include a phone number so that a technician can contact you if necessary.
- If your computer is completely down, you may bring the device to the Tech Service Center for repair. The Tech Service Center is located in the Library Media Center and operates on school days between 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.



# Blended Plus model

## 50% ON-CAMPUS INSTRUCTION

Students will attend classes on campus or virtually based upon a group designation. Groups will rotate weekly between morning and afternoon shifts for on-campus instruction. Students who are unable to leave between sessions will be assigned to pods and will attend classes virtually in pre-arranged learning areas. Full virtual option available upon request.

### MONDAY, TUESDAY, THURSDAY AND FRIDAY:

- Students will attend classes on campus and virtually.

### WEDNESDAY:

- This day provides the opportunity for further sanitization and disinfection of the campus.
- SM testing center will be open for students to make up tests
- Instructor office hours are available for students needing additional assistance
- Opportunities for extra and co-curricular activities to take place when authoritative guidance allows.

### Please note:

- Student groups will be determined alphabetically by last name. Families will be notified prior to Blended Plus implementation.
- Periods rotate.
- The SMCHS website and app will have specific details on each day's schedule.

## WEEK 1

Monday, Tuesday,  
Thursday and Friday

**Group A:** On Campus  
**Group B:** Virtual

### MORNING Session:

<b>Block 1</b>	8:00am - 9:00am
Passing period	10 minutes
<b>Block 2</b>	9:10am - 10:10am
Passing period	10 minutes
<b>Block 3</b>	10:20pm - 11:20pm

<b>Lunch &amp; transition to on campus or home</b>	11:20am - 12:30pm
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**Group B:** On Campus  
**Group A:** Virtual

### AFTERNOON Session:

<b>Arrival and office hours</b>	12:30pm - 1:00pm
Passing period	5 minutes
<b>Block 4</b>	1:05pm - 2:05pm
Passing period	10 minutes
<b>Block 5</b>	2:15pm - 3:15pm

## WEEK 2

Monday, Tuesday,  
Thursday and Friday

**Group B:** On Campus  
**Group A:** Virtual

### MORNING Session:

<b>Block 1</b>	8:00am - 9:00am
Passing period	10 minutes
<b>Block 2</b>	9:10am - 10:10am
Passing period	10 minutes
<b>Block 3</b>	10:20pm - 11:20pm

<b>Lunch &amp; transition to on campus or home</b>	11:20am - 12:30pm
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**Group A:** On Campus  
**Group B:** Virtual

### AFTERNOON Session:

<b>Arrival and office hours</b>	12:30pm - 1:00pm
Passing period	5 minutes
<b>Block 4</b>	1:05pm - 2:05pm
Passing period	10 minutes
<b>Block 5</b>	2:15pm - 3:15pm

## Wednesday

### Asynchronous Day\*

- This day provides the opportunity for the campus to be further sanitized and disinfected.
- SM Testing Center will be open for students to make up tests.
- Office hours are available for additional assistance
- Opportunities for extra and co-curricular activities to take place when authoritative guidance allows.





# Transitional Block model

## 80% ON-CAMPUS INSTRUCTION

Four days of on-campus instruction, one day virtual

### MONDAY

- All periods day which will take place virtually

### TUESDAY-FRIDAY

- On-campus instruction following a block schedule
- Full virtual option available upon request

Monday: All Periods Day (45 minute classes) <b>VIRTUAL LEARNING DAY</b>	
Block 1	8:00am - 8:45am
Block 2 (5 min. for announcements)	8:50am - 9:40am
Block 3	9:50am - 10:35am
Block 4	10:40am - 11:25am
Lunch	11:25am - 12:05pm
Block 5	12:10pm - 12:55pm
Block 6	1:00pm - 1:45pm
Block 7	1:50pm - 2:35pm

Regular Day (75 minute classes)	
Block 1	8:00am - 9:15am
Academic Period	9:20am - 9:50am
Block 2 (5 min. for announcements)	9:55am - 11:15am
Lunch	11:15am - 11:55am
Block 3	12:00pm - 1:15pm
Block 4	1:20pm - 2:35pm

Meeting Day (75 minute classes)	
Meeting	8:00am - 8:55am
Block 1 (5 min. for announcements)	9:00am - 10:20am
Academic Period	10:25am - 11:15am
Block 2	11:20am - 12:35am
Lunch	12:35pm - 1:15pm
Block 3	1:20pm - 2:35pm

Mass Day (75 minute classes)	
Block 1 (5 min. for announcements)	8:00am - 9:20am
Mass	9:25am - 10:55am
Lunch	10:55am - 11:35am
Block 2	11:40am - 12:55am
Block 3	1:00pm - 2:15pm

Late Academic Regular Day (75 minute classes)	
Block 1	8:00am - 9:15am
Block 2 (5 min. for announcements)	9:20am - 10:40am
Block 3	10:45am - 12:00pm
Lunch	12:00pm - 12:40pm
Block 4	12:45pm - 2:00pm
Academic Period	2:05pm - 2:35pm

Rally and or Assembly Day (75 minute classes)	
Meeting	8:00am - 8:55am
Block 1 (5 min. for announcements)	9:00am - 10:20am
Lunch	10:25am - 11:40am
Block 2	11:40am - 12:20pm
Block 3	12:25pm - 1:40pm
Rally/Assembly	1:45pm - 2:35pm

**Please note:**

- Periods rotate.
- The SMCHS website and app will have specific details on each day's schedule.

Minimum Day (75 minute classes)	
Block 1	8:00am - 9:15am
Block 2 (5 min. for announcements)	9:20am - 10:40am
Block 3	10:45am - 12:00pm



# Full Block model

100% ON-CAMPUS INSTRUCTION

- **FIVE** days a week with on-campus instruction.
- Monday is an all periods day
- Periods 1-7 rotate
- The SMCHS website and app will have specific details on each day's schedule.

Regular Day (75 minute classes)	
Block 1	8:00am - 9:15am
Academic Period	9:20am - 9:50am
Block 2 (5 min. for announcements)	9:55am - 11:15am
Lunch	11:15am - 11:55am
Block 3	12:00pm - 1:15pm
Block 4	1:20pm - 2:35pm

Meeting Day (75 minute classes)	
Meeting	8:00am - 8:55am
Block 1 (5 min. for announcements)	9:00am - 10:20am
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Block 3	10:45am - 12:00pm
Lunch	12:00am - 12:40am
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**Please note:**

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# Our Guiding Principles

All guidelines are subject to change based on future conditions and/or recommendations by public health officials and the Diocese of Orange. While the safety of our community is of primary importance, we also want to best meet the spiritual, academic, social and emotional needs of our students as we continue to provide excellence in Catholic education. SMCHS has worked diligently to put reopening plans in place designed to protect our students, families, teachers and staff.

As we prepare to safely reopen our campus, our plans are based upon the following **FOUR FOUNDATIONS** set forth by the Diocese of Orange.

## 1 Monitor and respond to student, faculty and staff health:

### Daily health precautions

- Face coverings, frequent handwashing, temperature checks and wellness screenings.
- Protocols from the OC Health Agency and California Department of Public Health will be followed if a student or staff member tests positive for COVID-19.
- Students, faculty/staff will receive ongoing education on safety and protective measures.

### Social-emotional wellness program

- Increased wellness services will provide a positive, safe and supportive learning environment.



## 2 Limit and eliminate UNNECESSARY or RISKY activities:

### Student activities and athletics

- Events will be modified in compliance with public health officials or held virtually. Mandates from public health officials and the CIF-SS will be followed.
- The Activities and Campus Ministry offices will provide programming in line with social distancing guidelines.
- Field trips and travel are cancelled until further notice.

### Practice physical distancing including

- Increased space between desks and reconfigured spaces to promote distancing.
- To the extent possible, staying 6 feet apart.
- Longer passing periods and the use of various schedules to minimize movement on campus.
- Nonessential visitors on campus will be limited.

## 3 Blended and distance learning programs ready for planned or unplanned shutdowns:

### Distance learning plan

SMCHS has contingency plans in place to quickly transition to remote, blended or full on-campus instruction, when permitted.



## 4 Revised cleaning and disinfection protocols:

### Comprehensive cleaning and disinfecting protocols including:

- Sanitizing and disinfecting common touch points, high-traffic areas and surfaces.
- Campus signage installed promoting protective measures.

*Protocols and procedures are subject to change based upon the latest guidance from health agencies and the Diocese of Orange.*

# Health and Safety Considerations

SMCHS will implement the following health and safety practices:



## Health Questionnaire

Daily health screening questionnaire and temperature check for all prior to entering campus. Responses will be kept confidential and if necessary reviewed by the SMCHS Department of Nursing and Health Services.



## Face Coverings

Face coverings are required for everyone in public settings while on the SMCHS campus in accordance with CDPH guidelines.



## Hand Sanitizer

Additional hand sanitizing stations have been placed throughout campus including classrooms and shared spaces.



## Training

Students and staff will receive training on COVID-19 prevention practices, including hand-washing, physical distancing and face covering use. Signage and ongoing communication will supplement and reinforce training.



## Limited Access

Access to SMCHS will be limited to essential personnel, students and parents. Nonessential visitors will only be allowed on campus by appointment and will be subject to all health screening processes.



## Physical Distancing

Classroom layouts will be modified to maintain physical distancing. Directional signs for flow of pedestrians posted throughout campus.



## Hand-Washing

Hand-washing will be encouraged throughout the day. Students and staff should wash their hands for 20 seconds with soap, rubbing thoroughly after application.



## No Supply Sharing

All SMCHS personnel and students are discouraged from sharing supplies, books, phones and any other tangible items.



## Ongoing Support

School personnel will be provided ongoing support to ensure effective system wide implementation of health and safety practices.



## SMCHS Issued Devices

SMCHS will continue to provide school-issued tablets for students' educational efforts. Help Desk services are available during on-campus and virtual instruction.



## Locker Removal

SMCHS has decreased the number of lockers on campus to improve the probability of physical distancing and surfaces touched.



## Cleaning

SMCHS has been professionally sanitized and disinfected by a third party. SMCHS will continue to sanitize and disinfect the facilities and buses.

# Containment and Response Plans

## What happens if someone becomes ill during the school day?

- If a student becomes ill during the school day, the student should report to/notify the SMCHS Nursing and Health Services Office immediately.
- Individuals with symptoms of COVID-19 will be sent home and should see their doctor to determine if testing is needed. If tested, they will remain home until results are received.

## What if someone has close contact with an individual confirmed of having COVID-19?

If you have had direct contact (less than 6 feet apart for 15 minutes or more) with any person who has tested positive for COVID-19 you should:

- Not leave your house or have guests over for 14 days.
- Try to self-isolate within your home so that you don't infect other members of your household.
- Monitor yourself for symptoms such as a fever, cough and shortness of breath.
- If you develop any symptoms, call your healthcare provider for further instruction.
- Contact the school nurses at [deptofnursing@smhs.org](mailto:deptofnursing@smhs.org).
- Employees should contact the school nurses at [deptofnursing@smhs.org](mailto:deptofnursing@smhs.org) and SMCHS human resources at [mollicap@smhs.org](mailto:mollicap@smhs.org)

## What happens if someone is confirmed positive for COVID-19?

The individual confirmed positive for COVID -19 should:

- Remain home
- Contact their health care provider
- Contact the school nurses at [deptofnursing@smhs.org](mailto:deptofnursing@smhs.org)
- Employees should contact the school nurses at [deptofnursing@smhs.org](mailto:deptofnursing@smhs.org) and SMCHS human resources at [mollicap@smhs.org](mailto:mollicap@smhs.org)
- The Orange County Health Care Agency will provide guidance for school community notification
- Work area/classroom to be sanitized and disinfected.

## If someone tests NEGATIVE after having symptoms for COVID-19, when can they be with others and return to school?

- Three days with no fever (without the use of fever-reducing medications) or other symptoms and
- Respiratory symptoms have improved (e.g. cough, shortness of breath)
- Clearance to return to campus has been authorized by the SMCHS Nurses' Office

## What may cause a campus closure?

- SMCHS may shift to virtual instruction if there is a confirmed 5% COVID-19 positivity rate amongst the school population.
- Directive from the Diocese of Orange

## If there is a campus closure due to a confirmed 5% or higher COVID-19 positivity rate, when would the school reopen?

Schools may typically reopen after 14 days once the following have occurred:

- Cleaning and disinfection
- Public health investigation
- Consultation with the local public health department
- Authorization from the Diocese of Orange

# Additional Information



## Food Services

To avoid communal waiting areas and limit close contact with others, third party food services from Sapphire will not be offered for the foreseeable future. On Monday, August 17, Sapphire will begin to issue refunds to families with a carry-over balance from the 2019-2020 school year. Please allow two to three weeks for the distribution and receipt of all refunds.

- Snack and beverage options are available for purchase in the student store.
- New vending machines will be added throughout the SMCHS campus to provide healthy options.
- Students who may have to be on campus before or after their assigned time should consider packing food for consumption in a disposable container.



## Transportation

### **SMCHS will provide bus transportation to and from school**

The SMCHS bus will pick up students before school and return students to their original pick up locations after school. Annual bus contracts may be purchased through School Admin during registration or throughout the year by selecting optional item when logged-in to your School Admin account.

### **Transportation Schedule Adjustment**

As the school pivots amongst the four progressive schedules, please visit the transportation section of the school's website for the latest information pertaining to transportation schedules at [www.smhs.org/admissions/bus-transportation](http://www.smhs.org/admissions/bus-transportation)



## Uniforms

In the interest of the health and safety of our students, their families and our staff, the Eagles Nest Campus Store is open for business by appointment only. For more information and to sign up for an appointment, please visit [www.smhs.org/campusstore](http://www.smhs.org/campusstore)



## Orientation / First day of School / Picture Day

- **August 10: Virtual SOARorientation**  
For all incoming freshmen and transfer students (8:00am – noon)  
More information forthcoming.
- **August 11: Picture Day** - postponed until further notice
- **August 17: First day of school** - currently slated to be held virtually



# Additional Information



## Campus Ministry/Religious services

As a Catholic school rooted in Christ and His Church, SMCHS will continue to offer Mass and other liturgies, faith development opportunities and a dynamic and transformational service learning program in accordance with public health guidelines. Please visit the campus ministry section of the SMCHS website for the latest information at: [www.smhs.org/campmin](http://www.smhs.org/campmin)



## Athletics/Extra-curricular/Co-curricular

The CIF Southern Section has modified athletics for the 2020-2021 school year. Changes include, but are not limited to:

- Recognized season of competition - fall/spring
- Start and end dates including sectional, regional and state championships
- Sit out period dates for transfers
- CIF bylaw changes for simultaneous club and high school participation.

For the latest information pertaining to a specific SMCHS program, please visit: [www.smhs.org/athletics](http://www.smhs.org/athletics) or <https://cifss.org/>

### Activities:

- The Activities Office is committed to dynamic programming to foster connection and engagement.
- Field trips and indoor assemblies are currently not permitted.



## Wellness

As the world rapidly evolves with additional pressures, SMCHS has taken a multi-tiered, proactive approach to address the wellbeing of our community. More information forthcoming including educational programming.

- **Wellness Office:** SMCHS is proud to welcome Joy Cleary, LCSW, PPSC, as the Interim Director of Wellness, and Beth Chapman, LCSW, PPSC, as the school's wellness coordinator.
- **Nurses Office:** Two fulltime RN, BSN nurses



## Counseling

Ten fulltime counselors offer a wide range of services from academic, personal and college counseling. A director of college relations is dedicated to building strong relationships with universities.

- Counselors are available for virtual appointments with parents and students utilizing Microsoft Teams to talk through the daily dealings of a teen in high school.
- Virtual workshops will be provided.

