

Specific Details of the Mitigation Plan

1. Prevention

- a. Symptoms Monitoring
 - i. Students, faculty, and staff are expected to check for [symptoms](#) before leaving their homes for school or work.
 1. Students who have [symptoms](#) of the virus are to stay home and report the absence for COVID-19 to attendance@ndpsaints.org. Symptoms should be reported to covidresponse@ndpsaints.org.
 2. Students who have had close contact with someone who has the virus or who have tested positive for COVID-19 themselves are to stay home, report the case to covidresponse@ndpsaints.org, and follow the guidance of their healthcare provider or a public health official.
- b. Staying Home When You are Sick
 - i. Anyone with any COVID-19 [symptoms](#) is to stay home and not attend school or any school-related activities on or off campus.
 1. Students, faculty, and staff can return to school and school-related activities if they have been symptom-free for a minimum of 24-hours. This also applies to students, faculty, and staff who test negative for COVID-19.
 2. A student who tests positive for COVID-19 should report the case to covidresponse@ndpsaints.org. A return date will be provided to the student once the positive test results have been sent to covidresponse@ndpsaints.org
 - ii. Students who are absent from school because of symptoms related to COVID-19 or for any other absence are responsible for viewing classwork they miss through Canvas.
 1. Teachers will upload any recorded lesson segments for the day on Teams by 3:30pm.
 2. Students have the responsibility to communicate any questions related to lessons or materials missed during an absence related to COVID-19 with their teachers within 2 school days of their absence and to follow handbook policies related to make-up work.
- c. Hygiene
 - i. The school expects all students, faculty, staff, and guests to practice good [hygiene practices and etiquette](#). Please remember to wash your hands regularly and use hand sanitizer throughout your time on campus and while attending school-related activities.
 - ii. Hand sanitizer stations will be available in public areas and in every classroom.
 - iii. Cleaning supplies will be available in every room and common area.
- d. Vaccinations
 - i. Notre Dame is not requiring students or staff to be vaccinated, but it is encouraged. The decision to receive a COVID-19 vaccine is a personal decision, and we support what parents choose for their children and family. The [Diocese of Phoenix](#) and the [United States Conference of Catholic Bishops](#) have released statements on moral guidance regarding the vaccines. Please visit the Arizona Department of Health Services [website](#) to find a vaccination site near you.
- e. Masks and Face Coverings
 - i. The use of face masks and coverings are optional while on campus.

1. Notre Dame reserves the right to make adjustments in response to changes or increases in local cases, and there might be situations in the future where mandating masks may become necessary.
2. Reporting Cases
 - a. Parents/guardians are to immediately report confirmed cases of COVID-19 to the attendance office and to covidresponse@ndpsaints.org.
 - b. The school will report confirmed cases to the parents/guardians, students, faculty, and staff via email. Anyone identified as a potential close contact will receive a separate email with additional information regarding quarantine instructions.
3. Testing
 - a. Notre Dame Preparatory will not be testing students or staff.
 - b. Maricopa County has testing resources on their [website](#):
 - i. People who believe they should be tested for COVID-19 should work with their healthcare provider. You can call the Arizona COVID-19 hotline at [844-542-8201](tel:844-542-8201) for more information about testing options and availability in your area.
 - ii. If you do not have a medical home or are uninsured, consider visiting a community health center. They will work with you to help you get access to a healthcare provider. Please call [602-253-0090](tel:602-253-0090) or look at the [AACHC website](#) for a health care center near you.
4. Isolation and Quarantine
 - a. Maricopa County Department of Public Health provides guidance regarding isolation and quarantine in the form of flow charts.
 - i. [Release from Isolation Guidance Flow Chart Rev. 4-21-21](#)
 - ii. [Quarantine Guidance and Flow Chart Rev. 5-11-2021](#)
5. Isolation Room
 - a. Students who develop symptoms while at school will be immediately isolated from the rest of the school population, and their parents will be notified.

Once again, know that this is a fluid situation, and that this guidance may change as the school deems necessary to fit the situation in our community.

In this year of Hope, please join me in praying for the safety of everyone in our community here at Notre Dame and also for a successful school year! Should you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Blessings to you all!