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Preparatory High School

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Dear NDP Community,

Providing our students an exemplary, faith-based Catholic education in a safe, healthy, and nurturing environment is our primary function. This is why we continue to plan for and monitor the changes around us concerning COVID-19 and the new variant.

We are taking a very measured approach to keep our students, faculty, staff, and parents safe while adding a sense of normalcy to the lives of our students.

At this point in time, we are moving forward with the mitigation policy that I laid out for you last week, with the exception that all students; vaccinated and unvaccinated, must get tested prior to going on a school-sanctioned trip, such as Aravaipa Farms in September, Kairos, and others.

- Masks are still optional
- Vaccines are optional, but highly encouraged
- Everyone must monitor their symptoms before coming to campus and stay home if feeling ill or experiencing fever, coughing, chills, etc.
- Classes are on campus
- Asynchronous instruction will be available for absent students
- Students who test positive must quarantine for 10 days
- Notify covidresponse@ndpsaints.org of any positive cases within your family.

It's important to note that this is a fluid situation. If our school population sees an increase in positive cases, we will adapt our policy accordingly and keep you aware of changes immediately. You can stay informed by monitoring the [Health and Safety page](#) on our website where we will update our mitigation policy if necessary and keep a running total of positive cases on campus through our COVID Dashboard (also found on the Health and Safety page).

We remain hopeful for this school year and we are determined to see our Saints on campus, learning and thriving while striking that important balance between normalcy, liberty and responsibility for ourselves and to our neighbors.

Please pray for our students and young people everywhere who are suffering serious psychological effects from the pandemic. Also lift up in prayer those stricken with the illness and those who care for them.

Blessings to you all,



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