## FAQ's

# 1. Do I really have to wear a mask?

With the governors new guidelines the simple answer is YES. In order for us to open for in person learning, NJDOH guidelines dictate that wearing a mask is essential for safety. So, in classrooms, the hallways and common spaces, it will be required.

There are guidelines for reporting any COVID infection on a case by case basis.

# 2. What happens if I don't or can't wear a mask?

Students who violate the policy may be removed from their classes. If however, a student finds it difficult to do so, they should report to the nurse.

## 3. Can I remove the mask at any time during the school day?

The new guidelines allow "carve-out" times when masks can be removed. The cafeteria is set up with distancing and plexiglass dividers. Therefore, students will be allowed to sit and eat without mask.

Also, at this time students participating in outside activities/PhysEd are not required to wear a mask.

#### 4. Do students have to be vaccinated?

**NO.** RBC is not requiring a COVID19 vaccination for school attendance. We do ask that if you are vaccinated you provide proof for quarantine purposes.

# 5. Do I need to have my parents fill out the COVID\_19 screening form every day?

**NO**, Parents will be required to file the COVID 19 screening form, at the **beginning of the school** year, indicating that they will monitor their child/children for signs of illness each day. In order for RBC to partner with students and parents, we must work together in isolating anyone who may have symptoms or may have been exposed. The only way we can do this is if everyone takes responsibility on a daily basis. Students who have symptoms must stay home and see a doctor.

## 6. What are the cleaning protocols?

Following recommendations of the agencies mentioned in our plan, there will be regular, daily cleaning of the entire building. We have the ability to do so and in fact, there will still be regular cleaning throughout the day on touch points / bathrooms and cafeteria, etc.

# 7. Do I have to wear my uniform?

**YES**, Students will start the year in the RBC spring/fall uniform with golf shirt, and appropriate uniform shorts or uniform skirt. **You may, if enrolled in Phys Ed, wear sneakers**. Winter uniform specifics will be determined as rules for school during COVID 19 evolve.

# Other – As per the NJDOH/CDC

"Quarantine if you have been in <u>close contact</u> (within 6 feet of someone for a cumulative total of 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period) with someone who has COVID-19, unless you have been <u>fully vaccinated</u>. **People who are fully vaccinated do NOT need to quarantine after contact** with someone who had COVID-19 **unless** they have <u>symptoms</u>. However, fully vaccinated people should get tested 3-5 days after their exposure, even if they don't have symptoms and wear a mask indoors in public for 14 days following exposure or until their test result is negative."

"The Governor signed Executive Order (EO) 251, which mandates masking in the indoor premises of all public, private, and parochial preschool, elementary, and secondary school buildings."

All schools in the Diocese of Trenton are following this mandate.