



August 20, 2021

Dear St. Brendan High School Parents,

St. Brendan High School is fully committed to providing a safe and healthy environment for all students, employees, and visitors. To assist in this commitment, we are implementing the COVID policy of the Archdiocese of Miami. While these protocols impact numerous areas of school operations, I would like to offer some specific reminders about our athletics program.

We are proud to offer a vibrant athletics program at our school. As we begin the new school year, please be reminded of the following:

Masks

Outdoors no masks are required for student athletes provided that social distance is maintained when students are stationary (such as sitting on the bench) and close contact is avoided during play. Indoors, masks are optional for fully vaccinated or naturally immunized high school students if documentation has been provided to the school in the form of an official CDC vaccination card or positive diagnosis of COVID-19 infection. Antibody test results are not accepted as proof of immunity following a COVID-19 infection.

- Immunization will only last for 90 days following the second week after the initial COVID diagnosis.
- Masks are required for students who are not vaccinated or immunized except during vigorous physical play.

COVID Testing

Non-vaccinated students must participate in a weekly PCR test at their own expense. Testing results should be submitted to the Athletic Office. Athletes may opt out of the weekly testing requirement if they have been fully vaccinated (and provide documentation to the school) or provide documentation that they have had a positive COVID diagnosis within the last 90 days.

Sports-Related Travel

Athletes are permitted to travel for athletic events, provided that the event does not require an overnight stay. Such overnight travel is only permitted for playoffs. COVID protocols should be practiced whenever athletes are traveling to/from events.

I am grateful for your partnership and trust as we enter this school year. Thank you for supporting the safety and wellbeing of our school community!

Sincerely,

Ivette G. Alvarez
Interim Principal