

**Notre Dame Preparatory
2021-2022 COVID-19 Tiered Mitigation Guidelines
Updated for Omicron (1/14/2022)**

Prayer to Virgin Mary for Protection

O Mary, you always shine on our path as a sign of salvation and hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm. Salvation of the Roman People, know what we need, and we are sure you will provide so that, as in Cana of Galilee, we may return to joy and to feasting after this time of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who has taken upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows to lead us, through the cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.

[Pope Francis](#)

Area of Interest	Tier 1
Plan	Non-COVID Environment – No mitigation procedures needed.

Area of Interest	Tier 2 Mitigation Strategies Where we started on August 11, 2021
Athletics	Follow AIA guidelines and quarantine those who are identified as close contacts.
Bus Safety	Require all students, coaches, faculty/staff to wear a face mask while on a bus when representing NDP.
Case Counts	Continue to use the dashboard and report cases to our community through the dashboard.
Cleaning/Disinfecting	Daily cleaning and disinfection of bathroom, classrooms, and touchpoints using approved cleaning supplies. Classrooms will also have individual sanitization wipes for students to use before the start of each class.

Quarantine and Notifications	NDP will notify students, faculty, and staff of any potential exposure. Seating charts are required for all classes. NDP will continue to consult with the Maricopa County Health Department and refer to all county and CDC guidelines.
Quarantine Students and Coursework	Students in a required quarantine are not required to participate in their classes but will have access to Canvas and should review class recordings and coursework provided by their teacher. If they need additional assistance, they should contact their teacher via email.
Events/Field Trips/Large Gatherings	Large scale events will be monitored and may be reconfigured in order to maintain social distancing when appropriate.
Exclusion Guidelines (sick students stay home from school)	Students and staff experiencing COVID-like symptoms should remain home for 5 days unless they meet the following 3 conditions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Fever-free for 24 hours (without the use of fever-reducing medication) - Negative COVID test - Symptoms improving
Face Coverings	Face coverings are optional unless traveling on a bus.
Food Services	Regular cafeteria service will continue for break and lunch. NDP will observe social distancing when possible. NDP has provided additional seating inside and outside for all students.
Hand Washing/Sanitizing	Students will be encouraged to wash their hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or use hand sanitizer. Hand sanitizer stations are available in all classrooms. Classrooms will also have individual sanitization wipes for students to use before the start of each class.
Overnight Trips	All students, faculty, and staff will be required to provide a negative test no earlier than 72 hours before the trip.
Restrooms	Restrooms will be left propped open during the school day
School Health Screenings	Any student with signs/symptoms suggestive of COVID-19-like illness (Fever of 100.4° F or higher, chills, cough, difficulty breathing, body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea/vomiting, diarrhea) will be taken to the health office, and parents will be contacted for pick up. The student will be excluded from school per NDP guidelines unless symptoms are confirmed by a doctor's note to be part of a known condition (such as allergies) or an alternative lab-confirmed illness.
Shared Belongings	When possible, students use individual belongings. Shared materials will be allowed, but regular disinfection will be encouraged.

Signs and Messages	Handwashing signs in all school bathrooms will be posted to help remind students to wash their hands properly.
Social/Physical Distancing	Classrooms are arranged to maximize distance between students.
Ventilation Systems	Air filters are changed regularly.
Volunteers/Visitors	Visitors and volunteers will be limited but allowed at this time.

Area of Interest	<p style="text-align: center;">Tier 3 Mitigation Strategies</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Metric: If approximately 3% of our population tests positive at one time</p> <p style="text-align: center;">All Tier 1 and Tier 2 mitigation strategies remain in place, with the following changes and additions:</p>
Bus Safety	One student per seat on the bus will be required.
Face Coverings	Face masks will be required for all students, faculty, and staff regardless of vaccination status.
Events/Field Trips/Large Gatherings	Events/Large gatherings will be permitted with mitigation protocols in place.
Lunch/Break	Students will be required to be outside for break and lunch.
Restrooms	Restrooms will be limited to 2 people per restroom at a time. Additional staff will be outside to monitor restrooms.
Temperatures	Daily at-home temperature checks must be taken, and symptomatic students must be kept at home
Volunteers/Visitors	Volunteers and visitors will be limited.

Area of Interest	<p style="text-align: center;">Tier 4 Mitigation Strategies</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Metric: In the unlikely event that 10% of our population tests positive at one time</p> <p style="text-align: center;">All Tier 1, Tier 2 and Tier 3 mitigation strategies remain in place, with the following changes and additions</p>
Plan	We will move to Hybrid Instruction.