



Moving Forward Towards Normalcy – COVID-19 Protocols

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Red Bank Catholic COVID protocols have been streamlined to best serve students and staff during this school year. RBC is working to provide an experience that resembles pre-pandemic schooling whenever possible, while still making the health and safety of our community our highest priority.

To prevent the spread of any illness, students and staff should stay home when ill. Please alert the Health Office if your student is absent due to illness. We will continue to follow the guidelines of our local Board of Health and the CDC.

Based on the updated guidance from the CDC on Aug 11th and the NJDOH guidance released schools on Aug 29th the following COVID-19 protocols are in place at Red Bank Catholic. Due to the fluid nature on COVID-19 and how rapidly changes in our community can occur, we will update all protocols as warranted and continue to post any updates on our website.

Virtual Instruction – We believe that in-person learning is the best option for students. We are committed to providing a safe, rigorous, and engaging in-person learning environment where students thrive. Virtual instruction will only be offered if your student has tested positive to COVID-19 and provides a lab administered PCR or Rapid Test to our Health Office (home testing due to a wide range of variables will not be accepted).

Contact Tracing / Quarantining - Based on the consistent results from the NJDOH weekly CALI report, the newly-released guidance from the CDC, and in consultation with our local Board of Health, effective immediately, Red Bank Catholic will no longer conduct full-scale contact tracing and will not require individuals who may be close contacts to quarantine, regardless of vaccination status. Rather, families should continue to monitor their children for symptoms and keep children home if they are sick. The CDC strongly recommends that individuals who were exposed to COVID-19 get tested after 5 full days after exposure (date of exposure is considered day 0), and to wear a well-fitted mask for 10 days after exposure as a precaution to reduce the possibility of transmission. Students may continue to attend school if they do not exhibit any COVID-19 like symptoms. If they do test positive after an exposure, they must remain home from school and activities, contact the Health Office for details and follow isolation protocols.

Isolation Protocol for Student Tests Positive for COVID-19 - The student must contact the Health Office and submit positive lab test. The student will isolate and remain home from school and school activities for 7 days. Day 0 is the day of the positive lab test. The student may return to school and resume all activities on the 8th day and must be fever and symptom free for at least 24 hours.