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### ***2021-2022 School Reopening Plan***

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Thank you for your patience as I work to develop a comprehensive plan for reopening school on September 8, 2021. Just as we worked together and celebrated a successful 2020-2021 school year, I am confident we will celebrate continued success with the plan outlined in this letter.

Saint Ambrose Academy will be opening to all students, full-time and in-person on September 8<sup>th</sup>. As the infection rates continue to increase and we find Monroe County now classified as a RED Zone because of the recent increase in positive cases, I am waiting for guidance from the State Department of Education and the Monroe County Health Department. Principals were initially told guidance and mandates for reopening schools were not going to be given for this coming year. However, as the infection rates have changed, we are now being told guidance will be coming to us soon. Please understand the outlined reopening plan could change if I am mandated to do something different.

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- All persons entering the school building, regardless of their vaccination status will be required to wear a face covering.
- All persons will be asked to respect social distancing protocols and remain six feet from another person.
- Students' desks will be arranged with six feet of separation.
- Students will be permitted mask breaks when they maintain social distancing of six feet.
- Plastic barriers will be used in the cafeteria during lunch periods when the children are unmasked and sitting within the six feet of distancing. Students will be required to wear their masks when they are not eating.
- Faculty, staff and students will not be required to wear their face covering when they are outdoors.
- Saint Ambrose Academy uses Pick Up Patrol app for daily health screenings of students, faculty, and staff.
- All students must have a verified health screening completed by an adult every morning before entering the building.
- School staff will take the students' temperature upon arrival to school.
- Adults entering the building will complete a paper form of the health screening and take their own temperature to verify their current health.
- Any person with a 100.4 temperature of above will be sent home to be cleared of Covid-19 by their medical professional before reentering the building.
- Any person displaying any symptoms of Covid-19 will be sent home to be cleared of Covid-19 by their medical professional before reentering the building.
  - **Covid-19 symptoms include**
    - fever of 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit or higher, chills
    - cough,
    - sore throat,

- congestion or runny nose,
  - loss of taste or smell, fatigue,
  - muscle or body aches,
  - headache,
  - shortness of breath or difficulty breathing,
  - nausea or vomiting,
  - diarrhea
- Any instance of absence from school must be accompanied by written or emailed documentation explaining the absence upon return to school.
  - Covid-19 related absence must be accompanied by documentation from a medical professional clearing any adult and student of the virus.
  - No unnecessary guests, visitors or vendors will be permitted into the school building during school hours, 8:00-3:00.

**Monroe County Health Department Contact Tracing Protocol – questions asked as they relate to exposure to Covid-19**

Where the individuals unmasked?

Where the individuals unmasked and within six feet of one another?

Where the individuals unmasked, within six feet of one another for longer than 15 minutes?

Who are the individuals?

A positive Covid-19 test result or exposure to a person who has tested positive for Covid-19 results in a 10-day quarantine from the date test or of known exposure. The Monroe County Health Department will contact all families impacted by an exposure to determine a return date to school.

Student attendance in the school building is critical to their academic, social and emotional development. Following these protocols will ensure everyone’s safety, making it possible for Saint Ambrose Academy to offer a comprehensive, faith-based learning environment for our children. This reopening plan will also leave open the possibilities of inviting parents and guests back into our school. It is our school mission to partner with all of you and the volunteers who enjoy giving their time and talents, in nurturing necessary skills in our children who will become our future leaders of hope in the community. I miss having the “doors open” and inviting you all to participate fully in the academic experience with your child(ren). It is important that each of us embraces the need to continue following the safety measures in place to ensure continued success at Saint Ambrose Academy in the 2021-2022 school year.

School leaders will be meeting with Monroe County Public Health Commissioner, Dr. Michael Mendoza on August 17, 2021 regarding Covid-19 and the upcoming school year. Relevant information from this meeting will be shared with the Saint Ambrose Academy School community. Please feel welcome to reach out if you have any questions about this year’s reopening plan as it is outlined in this letter.

God Bless,

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