



A ROMAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Saint Rocco School

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SRS COVID-19 Policy and Procedures Updated August 30, 2023

Policy Statement: The purpose of this policy is to provide the school community with guidance for COVID-19 related matters as well as outlining current COVID-19 school safety protocols.

Applicability: This policy applies to all students, faculty, and staff. Effective August 30, 2023.

Policy Authority:

School Principal- Ms. Gina Hand

School Nurse- Cheryl Boscia BSN, RN

Based on the current guidance from the RIDOH and the CDC and considerations for the safety of the St. Rocco School community, the following protocols will be followed:

- Wearing masks will be optional for students and staff in St. Rocco School when the transmission level is low or moderate in Providence County as determined by the RIDOH. Should the transmission level be high, St. Rocco School will follow the guidance from the CDC and RIDOH for the use of masks.
- Wearing masks on both Johnston and Statewide buses is optional.
- Parents should continue to monitor their children each day before coming to school. Students or staff who develop symptoms should stay home, contact a healthcare provider, and get tested.
- Symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus. Possible symptoms include fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, and diarrhea.
- Any student who tests positive will need to isolate at home for five days and may return on day 6 if they don't have symptoms and they have been fever free for 24 hours (without the use of fever-reducing medication). They will need to wear a well-fitting mask for an additional 5 days at school.
- If exposed to someone with COVID-19, it is recommended to monitor for symptoms, test after day 5, and wear a well-fitting mask through day 10.
- Tests are available for students and staff at school (while supplies last).
- St. Rocco School encourages vaccination for all eligible members of the school community, which includes the booster for those eligible.

All protocols are subject to change per RIDOH, the CDC and the St. Rocco School administration guidance and will be updated and revised as needed.