

The Catholic High School of Baltimore
COVID Protocols
2021-2022

Arrival

The campus is open to students beginning at 6:30 AM. Students are to report directly to the locker room to prepare for the day. Then, they must report to the Dining Hall to wait for the first bell.

Students are monitored in the Dining Hall beginning at 7:30 AM. Students are expected to follow social distancing guidelines in the Dining Hall – no more than four students may be seated at a table, and they must be fully masked while waiting for classes.

Classes begin at 7:45 AM each day.

Dismissal

Students are dismissed using a staggered dismissal. Seniors are dismissed at 2:30 PM, juniors at 2:35 PM, sophomores at 2:40 PM, and freshmen at 2:45 PM.

Students may wait for their rides in the Dining Hall. They are expected to follow social distancing guidelines while waiting for their rides. Students must be fully masked.

Students not involved in a supervised school activity must be picked up by 4:00 PM.

Lunch

Students may bring their lunch or purchase lunch in our Dining Hall. Microwaves are available for student use. Students are to use hand sanitizer before and after using the microwave.

Students are to sit four to a table. Chairs are not to be moved. Students may be unmasked while eating but must put masks on when they leave their seats.

We have purchased several new picnic tables located on our Western Campus. Students are encouraged to eat outside when possible.

Daily Screening

All students, faculty, and staff are required to monitor themselves daily for COVID-19 symptoms and to stay home if they exhibit these symptoms.

The school will not use a daily electronic screening form.

Anyone awaiting a COVID-19 test result may not come to campus.

Masks

Based on current directives from Baltimore City and the Archdiocese of Baltimore, all students, faculty, staff, and visitors must wear a face mask inside our campus building.

Face masks are also required on all school-sponsored transportation.

Students, faculty, and staff must wear either the Catholic High issued face mask or a plain cloth surgical mask.

All face masks are to be a solid color.

Illness, Contact Tracing and Vaccination

All families, faculty, and staff must report to the school nurse if anyone in the household has been diagnosed with COVID-19, is experiencing COVID-19 symptoms, or is awaiting the results of a COVID-19 test.

In the event of a positive case within the community, contact tracing will be conducted by our school nurse, Mrs. Jacke Correlli, who is our school liaison with the Baltimore City Health Department.

In the event a student is required to quarantine due to contact with a positive COVID case, an email will be sent to the parents via email.

The school nurse, in accordance with the CDC guidelines, will establish the re-entry date for any student required to isolate or quarantine due to COVID-19.

Currently, quarantining guidelines differ for fully vaccinated and unvaccinated individuals.

We encourage families to consider vaccination against COVID-19.

If a student presents with COVID-19 symptoms during the school day, the nurse will isolate the student in a room off the Health Suite, contact the family, and the student must be picked up within 30 minutes.

Visitors

All visitors to our school building must comply with masking guidelines and are subject to a health screening by our school nurse.

Facilities and Cleaning

We continue to employ a cleaning service who will sanitize our school each night and throughout the school day.

Hand sanitizing stations are located on each floor and in the Dining Hall. All classrooms have hand sanitizer available to students.

Academics

Along with other schools in the Archdiocese of Baltimore, *The Catholic High School of Baltimore* is not offering a virtual option this year.

Students who are absent from school due to quarantine will receive asynchronous work at the end of the first day that they miss school.

All other student absences will follow the normal absence policy outlines in our Student Handbook.

If a student is absent, a parent must call the Main Office by 8:00 AM each day the student is absent.

Athletics

Indoor – Currently, *The Catholic High School of Baltimore* is following the MSDE and the Maryland Department of Health requirement that all indoor activities require individuals to wear masks.

Each athlete will be permitted two guests to attend an indoor sporting event to ensure social distancing.

Each student must comply with current IAAM guidance as directed by our Athletic Director, Mrs. Kari McBride.

Outdoor – currently, masks are not required for outdoor activities. These guidelines are subject to change.