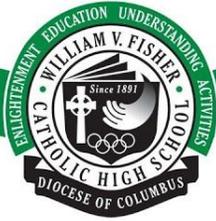


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Fisher Catholic Reopening Fall 2020

Fisher Catholic Community,

Thank you for your continued patience and prayers as we move into the Fall of 2020. As you all know, our goal is to have our students back in the hallways of Fisher Catholic, 5 days a week, for full days of school, in the safest way possible. We have had meetings with the Fisher Catholic task force, Diocese of Columbus, Fairfield County Health Department and faculty/staff. Please be aware that while we cannot predict every scenario, this document will continue to evolve as situations occur. We will continue to communicate with all of the above entities as we move forward. The plans in this document take into account the tiered system created by the Diocese of Columbus and how that system applies specifically to Fisher Catholic High School.

School Approach

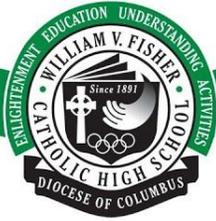
We plan to start as a Tier 1 school. This brings all students into the building for in-person learning. The week of August 17-21 will be for faculty/staff only. During this time, we will implement our safety protocols with the staff, which includes preparing the classrooms for social distancing. During this week, the staff will also be trained in more advanced online instruction in the event that students become ill, experience symptoms and have to stay home.

The schedule for the week after faculty/staff training and preparation will be:

- Monday, August 24 - 12th grade only (7:50 - 2:33)
- Tuesday, August 25 - 11th grade only (7:50 - 2:33)
- Wednesday, August 26 - 10th grade only (7:50 - 2:33)
- Thursday, August 27 - 9th grade only (7:50 - 2:33)
- Friday, August 28 - No School
- Monday, August 31 - First day for all students (7:50 - 2:33)

Should the state mandate that we move to an online Tier 3 option, we will be prepared to immediately transition students to at-home learning. All students will receive a Chromebook and the school will be using Google Classroom as its learning management system throughout all

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classes. Students will be required to follow the normal school schedule and attendance will be monitored.

Daily Health Assessments

- Students and school personnel are required to take their temperature and check for other symptoms at home **before reporting to school**. The symptoms to monitor include: cough, shortness of breath, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, loss of taste/smell, sore throat, congestion/runny nose, fever, nausea/vomiting and diarrhea.
- All students or faculty/staff with a temperature over 100F must remain home. You will be able to view and participate in your classes from home! DO NOT come to school sick just so you don't miss Miss Henry's math class; you won't miss anything as it (and all classes) will be available live on Google classroom.
- Students and faculty/staff experiencing any symptoms will be sent home immediately. Students experiencing any symptoms throughout the school day must immediately go to the front office. We will contact parents/guardians at that time. Students will remain in our quarantine room until a parent/guardian/registered contact is available for pick up.

Safety Protocols

- Facial coverings will be required for everyone on school property at **ALL** times. The school has ordered 2 Fisher Catholic masks for each student and staff member. We are allowing facial coverings provided by the school as well as solid/patterned masks with no symbols or wording. Please make sure that facial coverings are washed on a consistent basis. Face shields will be permitted if a student has a note from a physician stating they are unable to wear a mask for medical reasons. If a student forgets their face covering, they will be required to make a \$2 donation to Student Council for a disposable mask available in the front office. We will also have extra Fisher Catholic masks available for \$10 each.
- Students will be required to sanitize upon entry into each classroom. We will have sanitizer available in each classroom, along with stations throughout the school. We also encourage students to carry their own sanitizer with them throughout the day.
- Physical distancing of the recommended six feet will be maintained as much as possible among all students/staff. This includes the distancing of desks in classrooms, lockers, etc. We will be using auxiliary classrooms (Alumni Gym, Innovation Center, Alumni Commons) for our larger sized classes.
- The hallways will all be one-way, with every student walking in the same direction while school is in session.
- Signs/arrows will be visible throughout the school building as reminders of these directives.



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- ServiceMaster will continue to thoroughly clean the building each evening, and teachers will wipe down their individual classrooms on a regular basis throughout the day.
- All water fountains have been turned off. Please have your student bring their own water. FC will be selling bottles of water for \$1 throughout the day. We will also be looking into water filling stations.
- No field trips are currently permitted.
- Visitors to the school building will be limited and facial coverings will be required.
- All meetings with teachers/administrators are by appointment only and Zoom meetings would be preferred.

Cafeteria

- The cafeteria **will not** be serving hot lunches to begin the school year. Students are encouraged to bring their own lunch. If needed, boxed lunches will be available for \$4.
- Students will be assigned to one of multiple locations to eat lunch, while maintaining distancing protocols.
- Microwaves will not be available.

Transportation

- The Department of Health recommends that carpooling be at a minimum and families ride together to school.
- We will continue to be in communication with our surrounding public school districts regarding bussing. We ask that you check-in with them as well.

Attendance Policy

- Parents must report student absence due to COVID symptoms, necessary quarantine, or other illness to the school office in a timely manner each morning.
- School families and school personnel who have plans to travel away from home should notify the school office, particularly if they are traveling to a "hotspot" area.

Faith Formation

- We still plan on holding All-School Mass once a month. We will use chairs and bleachers to spread out the students. Guests will be allowed for All-School Mass with a mask and appropriate distancing just as our parishes have been allowing.

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- We will still hold Eucharistic Adoration each month. The two volunteers each hour will be required to wear masks and sign-up in advance.

Calendar Updates

- Student Phase-in Week - August 24th
- First day of school for all - August 31st
- Labor Day (No Classes) - September 7th
- Fairfield County Fair (No Classes) - October 15th - 16th
- Thanksgiving Break - November 26th - 27th
- Christmas Break - December 21st - January 3rd
- MLK Day (No Classes) - January 18th
- In-Service (No Classes) - January 29th
- Presidents' Day (No Classes) - February 15th
- In-Service (No Classes) - March 5th
- Spring Break - March 15th - 19th
- Good Friday (No Classes) - April 2nd
- Easter Monday (No Classes) - April 5th
- Seniors Last Day - May 21st
- All students last day - May 27th
- Baccalaureate Mass - May 28th
- Graduation - May 30th

Please remember that all policies and dates are subject to change based on Diocesan, Government and Health Department policies. We will continue to educate ourselves on the best practices as we move through the fall. We cannot wait to see the students back in the hallways, even if it resembles a NASCAR track and we are constantly turning left. As Catholic school employees, we truly enjoy being here in the company of our students and continue to pray we are able to be with them in-person throughout the 2020-21 school year. We will continue to communicate as needed leading up the start of the school year. God Bless and GO IRISH!

Blessings,

Jim Globokar and Carrie Cass

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