2021-2022 Return to School Plan

Face Coverings
The wearing of facial coverings such as masks, shields, and other forms of protective equipment is voluntary. Wearing masks and social distancing are shown to be effective in slowing the spread of COVID-19 as well as possibly preventing a mandatory quarantine if exposed to a person that has tested positive.

Vaccination
Vaccination is the leading public health strategy to help schools safely conduct in-person learning and allow safe participation in extracurricular activities. As such, St. Vincent-St. Mary highly recommends that employees and students be vaccinated, but it is not required. Ultimately, every individual must make the decision for themselves. Being fully vaccinated is an effective measure that can be taken to prevent a mandatory quarantine if exposed to a person that has tested positive.

Quarantine and contact tracing
To help reduce the risk of exposure to our employees and students, please stay home if you are experiencing any of the following symptoms:

- Cough
- Shortness of breath
- Chills
- Muscle pain
- Headache
- Sore throat
- Loss of taste or smell
- Diarrhea
- Feeling feverish with a temperature greater than 100.0° F
- Known close contact with a person who has tested positive for COVID-19

Those who test positive for COVID-19 are required to follow a mandatory quarantine of 10 days. If your student has come in close contact with a person that tests positive for COVID-19 you will be contacted by an administrator with further guidance.

Transportation
The CDC continues to require that masks be worn on all public transportation, including school buses. This requirement is regardless of vaccination status. All students are required to maintain social distancing to the extent possible while on school transportation.
Facilities

The cleaning steps outlined below are taken to protect staff and students as well as reduce the risk of spread of infection. We will require employees to maintain this safety standard by continuously cleaning and disinfecting based on the frequency stated below.

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<th>Category</th>
<th>Area</th>
<th>Frequency</th>
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<td>Workspaces</td>
<td>Classrooms, offices</td>
<td>At the end of each use</td>
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<td>Appliances</td>
<td>Refrigerators, microwaves, coffee machines</td>
<td>Daily</td>
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<td>Electronic equipment</td>
<td>Copy machines, shared computer monitors, televisions, telephones, keyboards</td>
<td>At the end of each use and at the end of the day</td>
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<td>General used objects</td>
<td>Handles, light switches, sinks, restrooms</td>
<td>At least 4 times a day</td>
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<td>Buses</td>
<td>Bus seats, handles/railings, belts, windows</td>
<td>At the end of each use</td>
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<td>Common areas</td>
<td>Student center, LRC, MakerSpace, conference rooms, gyms, common areas</td>
<td>At the end of each use and at the end of the day</td>
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