



February 25, 2022

Dear Parents and Guardians:

The following is the new guidance that Holy Trinity will use for COVID-19 cases after receiving the Catholic Schools COVID-19 Health and Safety Guidance Addendum from the Diocese of Saint Cloud. This new guidance will start Monday, February 28, 2022.

Holy Trinity will discontinue the use of required quarantines for close contacts of employees or students, but must be vigilant with the following:

- Employees or students who show or develop symptoms consistent with COVID-19 while at school must be sent home, and encouraged to pursue either lab-confirmed or rapid testing for the virus
- Employees or students with illness (not COVID-19) must stay home until symptoms have improved, AND there has been no fever for at least 24 hours, without fever-reducing medication
- Close contacts of household members are strongly encouraged to test for COVID-19, using either lab-confirmed or rapid testing methods
- Students or employees with confirmed COVID-19 infections must stay home, following a minimum practice of the 5-day isolation period as detailed above

To put things simply, your child will no longer need to quarantine if he/she is a close contact (classmate, family member or otherwise). Your child will need to quarantine if he/she tests positive for COVID-19 for a length of 5 days and can return on day 6 wearing a mask from day 6-10 as long as they are symptom free for 24 hours. (This part has not changed.) Staff would follow the same guidance. We will continue to help guide you through this!

Yours in Christ,

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