



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS  
— ARCHDIOCESE OF SAN ANTONIO —

# COVID-19 GUIDANCE



## Everyday Operations

1. Stay up to date on routine vaccinations
  - Vaccines reduce the risk of infection by working with the body's natural defenses to help safely develop immunity to disease.
  - Schools can provide information about COVID-19 vaccines and other recommended vaccines in a format accessible for your community.
2. Staying Home When Sick
  - People with symptoms of infectious diseases should stay home. Schools should consider policies for students and employees that encourage those who are sick to stay home, such as excused absences and opportunities to collect work to be done at home.
3. Maintain protocols for cleaning and disinfection as well as proper hygiene
  - Schools should clean surfaces regularly to reduce the risk of germs spreading by touching surfaces.
  - If a facility has a person who tested positive for COVID-19 within the last 24 hours, the space should be cleaned and disinfected.
  - Schools should reinforce proper handwashing techniques and have adequate supplies including soap, water, and hand sanitizer.



## TEST CONFIRMED COVID-19

If an individual tests positive for COVID-19 he or she should isolate at home.

- Stay home for 5 days (from the onset of symptoms or for asymptomatic from the date of the positive test)
- If the individual has no symptoms or the symptoms are resolving after 5 days, he/she can return to work/school
- The individual should continue to wear a mask around others for 5 additional days upon return
- If the individual has a fever or symptoms have not improved, he/she should continue to stay home until the fever resolves and symptoms improve. The individual should be fever free for at least 24 hours.
- Schools may also consider quarantining close contact individuals who live in the same household as the test-confirmed case.

