

**Washoe County Health District Directive 052, Section 4
COVID-19 School Mitigation Plan
Bishop Manogue Catholic High School**

COVID-19 School Mitigation Plan Contact Information

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Section 1 - The CDC Prevention Strategies

PROMOTING VACCINATION

- Weekly promotion of ongoing community vaccine events to students AND staff
 - <https://covid19washoe.com/community-vaccine-schedule/>
 - www.vaccines.gov
 - We will include community vaccination events in our staff weekly newsletter as well as our student/parent weekly newsletter using the resources bulleted above.
- Based on the CDC's recommendations of the COVID vaccine (including booster shots), we will continue offering vaccine clinics on campus. Dependent on the availability of securing vaccines and healthcare providers to administer, we will offer COVID vaccine clinics throughout the school year. The tentative timeline, again determined by the availability of our vaccinators, will be August/September, and then again in January/February.

MASK WEARING

- **Will the school continue to enforce universal masking?**
BMCHS will not enforce universal masking. We will support any individual who chooses to wear or not wear a mask, with an expectation of respect for their personal decision.
- **Masking Upon Return from Isolation for Positive Cases**
Positive cases who return from isolation on Day 6 after onset/first positive test in absence of symptoms are required to wear a mask on Days 6 through 10 while around others.
- **Masking for Exposed Contacts**
BMCHS will meet both of these conditions for exposed contacts:
 1. Contacts who are not required to stay home for quarantine (are up-to-date with vaccine series) will mask for 10 full days regardless of vaccination status*

**Exceptions for those aged 5 to 17 years who are fully vaccinated, booster eligible, but not boosted, they are permitted to be exempt from quarantine.*

2. Contacts who are not up-to-date on immunizations must stay home for five days and may only return from quarantine on Day 6 through 10 after the last date exposed if masked.

SCREENING TESTING FOR COVID-19 + POSITIVE EXPOSURES

- **Screening and Testing:**

BMCHS has a regular test plan in place and a partnership with a CLIA-certified vendor for COVID-19 testing; Color Health Inc.

- **Exposures to positive cases:**

- Classroom exposure notices will be sent to each classroom a student attended while infectious with a timeline of exposure.
- BMCHS will not use a test-to-stay option. Unvaccinated individuals in any classroom a student attended while infectious will quarantine for the recommended time.

SICK STUDENTS & FACULTY/STAFF

- BMCHS will assume COVID-19 until provided with a negative test result for persons who do not meet the CDC's guidelines for being fully vaccinated.
- Persons who are symptomatic must remain at home for five full days until criteria are met for returning to school.
- Bishop Manogue will refer all students, faculty, and staff who are symptomatic to seek a COVID-19 test. BMCHS will recommend using third-party tests administered by medical professionals, which are widely available in our local community.
 - Community resources include: WCHD for COVID-19 testing (<https://covid19washoe.com/testing/>) and local pharmacies (i.e. Walgreens, CVS, etc.)
- If a person is out with symptoms and opts to be tested, they are not to use an at-home test for verifying a negative result. Third-party testing will be our accepted verification for negative test results from symptomatic people.

CONTACT TRACING + QUARANTINE

Bishop Manogue will maintain that exposed persons will be excluded in accordance with the most up-to-date CDC guidance, [referencing this website](#).

PREVENTION & MITIGATION TECHNIQUES

- **Ventilation**: 40% of the air coming through the HVAC system at BMCHS is outside air. We also have an air purifier in each classroom, and change the filters on the recommended manufacturer's schedule.
- **Handwashing and Respiratory Etiquette**: BMCHS has posted signage related to appropriate handwashing hygiene as well as respiratory etiquette. This is in all common areas and restrooms.
- **Cleaning and Disinfecting**: We use a disinfectant recommended and approved by WCHD to work against COVID-19 for all cleaning. We clean our common spaces up to four times a day, and all of our other spaces are cleaned at least once a day, if not more given the frequency of use.
- **Physical Distancing and Cohorts**: BMCHS does not practice cohort given the fluid nature of high school classes and schedules. For physical distancing, classroom desk spacing is between 3-6 feet apart for all students with teachers maintaining a six-foot distance from students.

Section 2 - Positive case reporting to LHAs

BMCHS will report via fax to epicenter@washoecounty.gov using the Positive Case Report provided by WCHD. If BMCHS needs to report several cases at once, the WCHD Excel spreadsheet will be used and sent via fax to the appropriate source.

Section 3 - Outbreaks

How will an outbreak be defined?

- If a cluster OR outbreak occurs, (a cluster and outbreak as defined by the CDC) BMCHS will report to Washoe County Health District epidemiology program via epicenter@washoecounty.gov OR by calling 775-328-2447.

What mechanism will be used for outbreak declaration and notification of the outbreak?

- If a cluster OR outbreak occurs, the outbreak will be declared by the Washoe County Health District.

What mitigation measures will be in place once an outbreak is declared?

- A collective report will be completed once per week using the WCHD reporting document.
- Bishop Manogue will recommend symptomatic persons obtain a non-at-home test to prove symptoms are not COVID-19 related.
- Bishop Manogue will enhance the following prevention and mitigation techniques during an outbreak:
 1. Promoting vaccination
 2. Staying home when sick and getting tested
 3. Contact tracing in combination with quarantine in conjunction with WCHD
 4. Ventilation to increase the flow of outside air through the HVAC system
 5. Handwashing and respiratory etiquette
 6. Cleaning and disinfecting throughout the school building
 7. Physical distancing and cohorts will institute to six-foot distancing in all classrooms

How will the outbreak be monitored?

- A collective report will be completed once per week using the WCHD reporting document.

What criteria will be used to close an outbreak?

- Two full incubation periods (28 days for COVID-19, as 14 days is the full incubation period) without any new persons in the setting developing symptoms.
- Encourage third-party testing to prove symptoms are not COVID-related, otherwise, the 28 days will start over with each new onset symptom OR positive test.
- Positive at-home tests will be accepted for quarantine guideline purposes.

What mechanism will be used to notify of outbreak closures?

- Email notification to school point of contact and Washoe County Health District Outbreak Response Team, which will officially declare the close due to an outbreak.