

Holy Trinity School



# COVID-19

## RESPONSE

Friday, Sept. 18, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardians:

You may have heard the news that the County of San Diego may be moved on Tuesday to the lowest tier of the state reopening system and wonder what it means for Holy Trinity School. Because we reopened our campus while the county was in the red tier on September 1st, our school will be allowed to stay open. We are working with the County of San Diego to implement COVID-19 surveillance testing for our employees, and will review our reopening plans to ensure we do everything possible to maintain a healthy environment for our students and employees who return to campus.

It goes without saying, this has been a challenging time for educators and students alike, as adapting to required safe and healthy guidance, has been an adjustment period for all. Our teachers are working diligently to provide the best possible Catholic school education and experience for our students, whether they are on campus for in-person instruction or at home in distance learning.

“Hyflex” is short for hybrid flexible and is a learning model which, before the pandemic, had primarily been used at colleges and universities. Now, some K-12 schools have started adopting it as a way to reopen school and be able to accommodate students’/families’ learning choices during this COVID-19 pandemic. It ensures that all students receive the same instruction, even if students stay home or cannot physically go to school. In order to provide our teachers adequate time and support to plan a “hyflex” instructional model of learning during this unprecedented time, all Wednesdays for the remainder of the school year will be an early dismissal day at noon.

If your child becomes ill, please communicate with your child’s teacher and the school office as soon as possible and refer to the [Decision Tree Guidance for Symptoms](#) provided by the County of San Diego Health and Human Services Agency in collaboration with the San Diego County Office of Education. As students may need to stay home, communication with your child’s teacher and our office staff is vital to your child’s success this school year. As partners in your child’s education, it is important that your child has access to the same educational materials as the students in-person, in addition to the Zoom meeting link. Expectations for responsible work and study habits remain the same for all students, whether they are in-person or in distance learning.

The first early dismissal day will be Wednesday, October 7th. Academic standards will not be compromised due to this change in schedule, as these early dismissal days will be designated as an active work day of asynchronous learning time for students. If you are a working parent unable to pick up your child at noon and need child care on those Wednesdays, Extended Care will be available to you free of charge. Charges for Extended Care will not apply until after 3:00pm, and child care services will remain open until 6:00pm.

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I will continue to share updates as they become available. You may also find the most current information on our schools reopening plans, as well as other relevant updates and information on our [school website](#). I appreciate your flexibility and understanding as we adjust to these ever-changing conditions.

All the Best,  
Mrs. Marentez