

Update on Covid Precautions

On October 26, 2021, Louisiana Governor John Bel Edwards lifted the indoor mask mandate and left it to local K-12 school systems to decide about their own mask policies. Later that evening, Dr. Raenell Houston, Superintendent for the Department of Catholic Education and Faith Formation of the Archdiocese of New Orleans, notified principals of Catholic schools in Jefferson Parish that the student indoor mask mandate was lifted, effective October 27, 2021, but that local parishes and schools would make their own decisions on mask requirements for visitors, volunteers, and staff.

It is important to note that both the state and the archdiocese have emphasized that the Louisiana Department of Health's quarantine policies remain in effect. Those who are unvaccinated, unmasked and spend at least 15 minutes per day less than or equal to 3 feet away from a positive case will be subject to quarantine. School activities will be informed by these precautions.

After consultation and discernment, St. Edward the Confessor School is setting forth the following guidelines, effective immediately:

1. Until further notice, volunteers and visitors still will be required to wear masks while inside of school buildings. For their convenience, the school will keep on hand a supply of extra masks.
2. Faculty and staff who are not fully vaccinated will be required to wear masks while less than or equal to 3 feet from others at school.
3. Parents and visitors may resume attending school masses but must keep in mind that for special masses and events there may be special rules for seating and capacity.

Please note that students and staff have the option of continuing to wear masks and that no one should make negative comments about those who choose to do so.

Sincerely,

Thomas Becker
Principal