



# TEURLINGS

## CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

To Channel His Spirit for the glory of God

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July 6, 2020

Dear Parents,

I begin by saying “thank you” to all of you, who as parents of our students, spent some serious time these past months truly working with your children and helping them in academic, developmental, and social areas. Your precious time was certainly not lost as they learned from you and experienced with you the joy and ultimate responsibility of parenting—being the first educators of your children in all of the important areas of life. We are honored and blessed to again work by your side.

Teurlings Catholic High School is preparing to collaborate with you once again for the 2020-2021 school year in conjunction with Diocesan, State and local policies as they affect us. The COVID-19 pandemic has hit us all very hard and has almost recreated society and social constructs in some serious new ways. We, as Catholic school educators, are taking all of this “new information” very seriously and are planning for its impact on our school and the lives of our students. We are all looking to the new academic year as one of challenging growth and direction, requiring the best from all of us.

Per usual, our goal is to provide the healthiest and safest environment possible for our students and employees. As such, please be aware of the following:

- Orientation will take place August 13-14. Senior and juniors will report on August 13; freshmen and sophomores will report on August 14. An Orientation scheduled will be emailed to you the first week of August.
- School campus access will be limited to students, employees, drop off/pickup lines, emergency personnel and recurring deliveries. In case of an emergency, parents should contact the front office.
- The entire facility is being deep cleaned and sanitized. Deep cleaning standards will be maintained during the instructional day and throughout the academic year.
- Lavatories will be cleaned and sanitized frequently throughout the school day.
- Hand sanitizer stations will be installed throughout the facility and in each classroom.
- Portable hand washing stations will be placed outdoors throughout the facility.
- Water bottle refill stations will replace the water drinking fountains.



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- Students will be permitted the use of an approved personal container for water only.
- Additional sanitary supplies will be provided in each classroom.
- Directional signs and floor graphics will be placed in hallways and walkways to facilitate ease of mobility throughout the building and to maintain social distancing standards.
- Appropriate arrangements of desks, tables and other furnishings and equipment will be employed to increase safety and to effect appropriate distancing.
- Arrival and dismissal times have not changed; 7:30 AM – 2:30 PM.
- Class transition times are adjusted and staggered as necessary, to reduce the number of persons traveling through the campus at a given time.
- Cafeteria lunch plans are in place for grab & go lunches, and plans are for students to eat in classrooms.
- Students and staff will have their temperatures checked with infrared-no touch thermometers upon arrival at school at all entry points.
- All students and employees will be required to purchase and wear an approved mask or face covering when in classrooms and during transitions. Students in small classroom settings will be able to remove their masks.
- In addition to an approved face covering, all laboratory classes will require approved disposable gloves.
- To begin the 2020-2021 school year, all TCHS students will be issued a school-owned chromebook, at no additional cost, to use as a precautionary safety measure until further notice. Students will take this chromebook back and forth from home to avoid cross-contamination. More detailed information can be found in the TCHS Student/Parent Handbook.
- Guidance services will be available to students throughout the instructional day.
- Implementation plans for school Masses are currently in progress. The plan is for one class to attend Mass using social distancing and all other classes will remain in classrooms utilizing Live Streaming to experience Mass.



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- Other whole school gatherings have either been cancelled or rescheduled through the month of August. The school calendar in ParentsWeb reflects these changes for the month of August.

We are honored to serve you, and through Christ, the students who are entrusted to our care. Be assured this sacred trust is foremost and paramount as we make plans to welcome our students and employees in August. We are here to serve you.

We will be providing information for our Student Orientations during the first week of August. We will also supply further updates as we continue through the month of July. You and your families are in our prayers daily. Together, let us move forward in faith with the assurance that God is with us.

We know you will have many more questions, and we want to be available to you. Feel free to contact me at [mboyer@tchs.net](mailto:mboyer@tchs.net). We intend to send regular communications as decisions and/or changes are made during the next several weeks.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael H. Boyer".

Michael H. Boyer

