



# TEURLINGS

## CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

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## Precautionary Measures Regarding Coronavirus

Only one confirmed case of novel coronavirus (COVID-19) exists in Louisiana. At Teurlings Catholic High School we are doing our part preparing for this developing situation. Most importantly, listen to facts and do not respond to fear. The health and safety of all of our students continues to be our first priority. As we monitor the situation, we are enhancing certain protocols and providing additional resources outlined below. Working in close partnership with the Diocese of Lafayette, we will continue to update our protocols as the situation evolves, and communicate about any possible impact to parents, students, and our school community. Our website, [www.tchs.net](http://www.tchs.net), will continually be updated with pertinent information.

### Medical: Mrs. Joelle Charpentier

I will remain informed of any updates or changes in school guidelines through the CDC, the Louisiana State Board of Nursing and the National Association of School Nurses.

### Coronavirus Facts

#### Symptoms:

The following symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure:

- Fever, cough, shortness of breath

#### Person-to-person spread:

The virus is thought to spread mainly from person-to-person.

- Between people who are in close contact with one another (within about 6 feet)
- Through respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs or sneezes

It may be possible that a person can get COVID-19 by touching a surface or object that has the virus on it and then touching their own mouth, nose, or possibly their eyes, but this is not thought to be the main way the virus spreads.

### Home and School Preventative Practices:

- WASH HANDS! Washing hands remains the number one preventative in the spread of communicative diseases.
  - \* Wash hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds
  - \* Most important times to wash hands: after going to the bathroom, before eating, and after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing
  - \* Use a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol if soap and water are not available
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick
- STAY HOME WHEN YOU ARE SICK
  - \* You must be fever free (*without the use of any medications such as Acetaminophen or Ibuprofen*) for 24 hours before returning to school
  - \* You must not have any vomiting or diarrhea for 24 hours before returning to school
  - \* If you do have any symptoms associated with the Coronavirus please refrain from any contact with the elderly,



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- young children/infants, or anyone with preexisting medical conditions such as asthma, diabetes, or heart disease
- \* If you have flu-like symptoms or any fever, coughing, shortness of breath it is HIGHLY recommended that you see a physician and bring signed documentation of the visit before returning to school
  - \* Routinely clean frequently touched surfaces (e.g., doorknobs, light switches, countertops, keyboards, desks, remote controls) with disinfecting wipes/sprays

### **Academics: Mrs. Lauren Jeffrey & Mrs. Stacy Freeman**

Students who are absent due to illness should continue to obtain documentation from health care providers and send that information to Mrs. Nicole Frey (*receptionist*). Please inform Mrs. Frey as soon as you know your child will be out of school and provide the reason for the absence.

Students and parents should check the classroom teacher's main forms of communication (*Renweb, Email, Google Classroom*) every day, even when all is proceeding as normal. However, especially when students are ill and are out for several days or in the event that schools are closed for a period of time, it is especially important that students and parents use these tools to keep up with announcements and assignments and any updates or changes that have been made.

Students who are out for a day or a few days should complete any assignments that they are able to from what is posted, and either email their teachers or be prepared to discuss with them when they return any questions they have about lessons for which they were not present in the classroom. Please remember to check for testing dates and be prepared to take makeups at 6:30 each morning until all makeups are complete. For extended absences, please communicate with the teachers concerning expectations for makeups.

In the case that there are any school closures, students should be prepared to view lessons and/or instructions for completing assignments via the communication tools mentioned above. Students may be expected to continue to complete assignments and submit them online as per the teachers' instructions. Please look for any worksheets, videos, podcasts, instructional documents, etc., that may be posted and complete the assignments by the deadlines set by the teachers which would be posted either as a Google Classroom announcement, on RenWeb, or sent via email.

### **Maintenance/Facilities: Mr. Andrew Hebert & Mr. Dexter Bergeron**

#### **Recurring disinfection using commercial cleaner**

- Restrooms, locker rooms, bleachers, showers, and athletic areas
- Student desks, door knobs, and light switches
- Lysol spray in classrooms and returns of classroom air conditioning units

#### **Additional disinfection using vaporized fogger**

- Classrooms
- Athletics facilities
- Campus restrooms



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### Technology: Mrs. Leslie Bergeron & Mr. Dexter Bergeron

Cleaning and disinfecting high-touch surfaces, like chromebooks and other electronics, is best to help prevent the spread of viruses. Below are the instructions provided to teachers on how to properly clean and disinfect their classroom devices.

- Provided every teacher: disinfecting wipes, cloth, gloves
- Clean and disinfect your classroom set of chromebooks every Monday
  - \* Unplug chromebooks and power down (click Shut Down)
  - \* Gently wipe each chromebook keyboard, touchpad, screen, and outside shell with disinfecting wipe (*clean approximately 5 chromebooks per wipe*)
  - \* Gently buff screen with microfiber cloth to remove haze on display (*if needed*)
  - \* Keep hand sanitizer on cart for student use prior to retrieving chromebook

### Liturgical Matters: Ms. Josette Surratt

According to the directives issued by Bishop Deshotel and the Diocese of Lafayette, the following guidelines will be followed while the spread of the coronavirus is active.

- We are to refrain from holding hands during the "Our Father" and during "Let Us Offer Each Other a Sign of Peace"; we should only bow or nod our heads or use the "peace sign"
- It is strongly encouraged that we receive Holy Communion by hand, rather than by mouth
- The use of holy water when entering or leaving a Church/Chapel is prohibited during this time
- There will be no distribution of the Precious Blood at any Masses until further notice

Following Mass on Thursday, March 12, 2020, we will discuss the situation with our student body, faculty, and staff. With the information delivered at home and at school, we feel our students will be well informed as to the accepted protocols. As always, if you have questions, please call us.