

2020-2021 COVID-19 School Reopening Plan

Dear St. Peter's Families,

We hope that everyone has been able to enjoy the summer and is staying safe and healthy. Based on the information we currently have from NYS and The Archdiocese of New York the following is our reopening plan for the 2020-2021 school year. Please note that this plan can change at any moment and we will communicate any updates as they become available.

Daily Operation:

St. Peter's Boys High School will be putting in place a hybrid educational plan for the foreseeable future. That is, students will alternate in person classes with prerecorded lessons using applications such as Explain Everything, Google Classroom and live streamed Zoom lessons of the in-class session. The school runs on a six (6) day cycle "A" through "F" days. A student who will be in attendance at St. Peter's on A, C, & E days will be distance learning on B, D, & F days.

The student body will be separated into two separate Cohorts: Gold and Blue.

- The Gold Cohort's in school session will be on A, C, E days and their remote days will be on B, D, F days.
- The Blue Cohort's in school session will be on B, D, F days and their remote days will be on A, C, E days.

Students schedules and calendars will be provided in the upcoming weeks. As always, our school calendar dates will indicate the school letter day.

This means that classes will be reduced to half the number of students: with approximately 10-20 students in any class at any one time. The facility can hold up to 800 students in a regular school session. This leaves plenty of space to adhere to all NYS social distancing protocols. Needless to say, great attention must be given to planning and being organized - we recognize that this is not only a necessity, but a requirement in order to guarantee continuity and sequential learning.

Updated Schedule including Cohorts

Students' finalized schedule including their Cohort (Gold- A, C, E days) or (Blue - B, D, F days) will be sent in late August or early September.

Orientation Days (These dates have been REVISED since the summer package):

All students are required to be in full summer dress code wearing face masks. Temperature checks will take place. Students should bring a bag to carry home all textbooks as **lockers will not be issued**. Reminders and updates for orientation days will be sent out in late August and/or early September.

Wednesday, September 9th - Freshman ONLY

Last Name Time
A-C: 8:30am
D-H: 10:00am
I-O: 11:30am
P-Z: 1:00pm

Thursday, September 10th - Gold Cohort

Seniors: 8:30am Juniors: 9:30am

Sophomores: 10:30am Freshman: 11:30am

Friday, September 11th - Blue Cohort

Seniors: 8:30am Juniors: 9:30am Sophmores: 10:30am Freshman: 11:30am

Teaching and Learning:

On the academic plan, St. Peter's has, after extensive research, opted to use the applications listed below to facilitate the student learning; ensuring continuity no matter what platform is used - whether remote or in-person. The Faculty is attending professional development sessions in order to master the necessary skills to make meaningful learning happen.

- The Zoom Pro App: for recording and hosting live sessions allows for increasing teacher/student interactivity and for continuity of building community and school spirit.
- Google Suite for Education: a platform that offers efficient means of continuity of instruction, connectivity with class through the Live stream, easy communication of task/assignments/projects, offers Rubric creator/originality reports/easy grading and all the digital tools in one place.

- Explain Everything: for both teachers and students more than a recording tool: laying out big concepts in bite-size and manageable parts for maximum understanding and maximizing the chance for successful learning outcome; allows another option for assessment and an avenue to "show"/ demonstrate student mastery allowing more project-based assessment expands the digital portfolio of a student. The app provides editing capabilities; Excellent Whiteboard and screen sharing technologies allow all to showcase creativity.
- ➤ In order to enhance our chances of success, we are making every effort to achieve **uniformity** in our educational practices and **commonality** of teaching tools used by faculty and students.

Full Remote Learning:

Fully Remote learning will be an available option for students when those students/families are not comfortable with having their sons attend the in-class portion of school due to underlying medical issues or other reasons. If you are choosing the full remote option, please contact the main office ASAP. The teacher will communicate the full remote educational plan as they receive their rosters. The full remote option will require students to be logged into live Zoom classrooms session from 8:30am - 2:26pm (excluding lunch, gym or study hall) on the days they would normally be in the building.

Building Entrance:

We ask that all students have temperature taken prior to leaving for school in the morning to avoid the spread of any virus or illness. Students will be required to enter the building at four (4) separated locations. Each grade assigned a separate entrance to prevent a chance of students congregating. Seniors - Main Entrance, Juniors - down staircase exit (near brothers' residence), Sophomores - Cafeteria doors (use driveway on the right side of the gym), Freshman - athletic office doors. Signs that show how face coverings should be worn and the types of acceptable face coverings that should be used will be displayed at entrances. Students will be required upon arrival to keep 6 ft. apart, adhering to social distancing protocols. Students will be required to be wearing face coverings throughout the entire school day except when eating lunch. The entrance to campus will be properly labeled with social distancing signage directing students where to stand in order to be admitted into the building. On any given day, there will be approximately 50-60 students per entrance between 7:50am - 8:05am. The students will be met at the entrance by an administrator or staff member where attendance will be taken and each student's temperature will be checked with a touchless thermometer. No students will be admitted to the school building prior to 7:50am. Faculty and staff will also have their temperatures checked at the main entrance prior to entering the building. Students who have a 100.4 temperature or above will proceed to a designated classroom where the school nurse will conduct further evaluations. The nurse and the designated room will be fully equipped with PPE equipment and proper signage. All students with a healthy temperature will be permitted to proceed to their designated homeroom. Proper signage with arrows and designated faculty will be directing students to the classrooms. Teachers will be provided with all necessary cleaning supplies and hand sanitizers to clean their classrooms as they see fit.

Signage:

Appropriate signage will be posted outside the building and at all of the school entrances. Proper hand washing protocols will be posted in all the school bathrooms. "6 foot apart" and "Face Covering" social distancing signage will be strategically put on each floor and on the staircases in the building.

Moving around the building:

As a High School it is necessary for students to move between periods because the majority of our students have classes that are mixed with different grade, subjects and ability levels. Once the period bell rings students are to proceed to the next class and adhere to the directional signage keeping socially distant while proceeding to the next class.

Lunch Periods:

Our cafeteria can hold 250 students at capacity. During our four (4) designated lunch periods there will never be more than 70 students per period giving us the ability to put classroom desks into the cafeteria avoiding any opportunity to interrupt the social distancing protocol. Cafeteria staff along with the supervising teachers will wear proper PPE equipment. After daily pre-meal prayers, students will be called up row by row keeping distance and following the 6ft. apart signage in order to receive their lunch. We will offer meal plans in order to limit the cash transactions. Once students are finished lunch the custodial staff, wearing proper PPE equipment, will collect any litter and all surfaces will be cleaned with the appropriate and approved cleansers at the conclusion of the lunch period and prior to the arrival of the next group of students.

Dismissal:

Students will be on a staggered dismissal starting at the normal dismissal time of 2:26pm. Seniors will be dismissed as usual at 1:00pm separate from the rest of the students. Administration and security personnel will be in communication once each of the grade levels is completely dismissed so that the next grade level can be dismissed. Students will be required to be wearing face coverings and maintain proper social distancing while exiting the building and campus. Students will not be issued lockers and will be carrying all of their belongings with them while exiting the building.

Cleaning and Disinfecting Building:

Our cleaning company (Rem's Cleaning Service) will be properly equipped with CDC approved cleaning supplies to clean the building every day at approximately 4:00pm. CDC sanitizer spray will be sprayed into each classroom and office in the building at the conclusion of cleaning each room and office in the building. Daily logs will be recorded by the cleaning company. Custodial staff will alter normal daily routine to sanitize and wipe down high traffic and touch areas throughout the building during the school day. Custodial staff will also put extra attention into building ventilation on a daily basis. This year special attention will be given to high traffic and touch areas. Paper towel dispensers and soap dispensers will be installed in the necessary areas. Hand sanitizer dispensers and cleansing wipes will be placed in all classrooms along with other necessary areas throughout the building. Water fountains will be disconnected until touchless water fountains are installed. Teachers will be provided with cleaning supplies to clean their classroom throughout the day.

Student or Faculty Member that is diagnosed with COVID -19:

Diagnosed individuals must quarantine for two weeks and the individuals that came in contact with that individual must be tested for Covid-19. **If more than two individuals are diagnosed with COVID-19 the entire school must be closed for a period of two weeks and sanitized.** All school individuals and families must be notified. The school will be in communication and taking direction from the Archdiocese, Department of Health and the State of New York for next steps. Students and Faculty will immediately proceed with remote learning for five (5) days a week so that learning does not cease and students and faculty are safe and healthy.

Bus Service:

We will be providing bus service from the south shore of Staten Island and Brooklyn. Students will be required to adhere to all socially distancing protocols on the buses. Bus companies will also be required to adhere to the CDC cleaning and disinfecting protocol and social distancing protocol.

Lockers:

Students will not be assigned school lockers: electronic devices and notebooks will primarily be used in school. Textbooks will typically be used at home for assignments and readings. Teachers may require textbooks in class on an as needed basis.

Uniforms & Gym:

Students will be required to be in full summer dress code wearing an appropriate face covering. Summer dress code shirts are available for purchase for \$40 in the main office Monday - Friday 8am-1pm. On days that students have gym they will be required to wear their gym uniform and sneakers. Students are not permitted to use school lockers therefore they will not have the ability to change for gym. Athletic gear can be worn over the gym uniform.

Athletics & Extracurricular: As of today fall sports are still slated to start on September 21st. There are no preseason workouts or condtioning practices permitted until this start date. If and when there are any changes or updates you will be notified immediately. After school activities suspended until further notice. As an essential part to our holistic approach to education we hope to be back involved in all of our extracurricular activities as soon as possible. Please stay safe and stay ready.

We look forward to seeing all of you in the near future. If anything changes with the NYS and Archdiocesan guidelines we will be sure to update you immediately. Once again, please keep in mind that this reopening plan could change at any moment. We also welcome any family with questions and concerns about our reopening plan to please contact the main office Monday through Friday from 8am-1pm.

Sincerely,

St. Peter's Boys High School Administration