## Health and Safety Plan Summary: Bishop Carroll Catholic High School

Initial Effective Date: July 15, 2020

Date of Last Review: September 14, 2022

Date of Last Revision: September 9,2022

1. How will the LEA, to the greatest extent practicable, support prevention and mitigation policies in line with the most up-to-date guidance from the CDC for the reopening and operation of school facilities in order to continuously and safely open and operate schools for in-person learning?

The health and safety of Bishop Carroll Catholic High School staff and students remains, as always, the top priority for the organization. The BCCHS Administration and Pandemic Response Team continue to take critical steps making decisions that protect the health and safety of our organization in the ongoing response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

In response to the expiration of statewide mitigation orders, Bishop Carroll Catholic High School has identified organizational standards and expectations which outline the protocols expected of all staff members, students, and visitors as the organization continues moving forward. Protocols include the following:

- Self-screening for COVID-19 symptoms
- Following communicable disease reporting procedures
- · Practicing appropriate hygiene etiquette
- Optional use of face coverings/adherence to health and safety plans of locations served
- Cleaning and disinfecting one's workspace
- Maintaining physical distancing protocols when feasible
- Staying informed of CDC's guidance relative to travel
- Maintaining best practices in regards to mitigation efforts

Expectations will be dependent on the latest mandates, edicts, and orders issued by the Governor's Office, the Pennsylvania Department of Health (DOH), the Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE), the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), and the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown. The Administration and BCCHS Pandemic Response Team will continue to monitor communications from these entities. As conditions change related to COVID-19, all protocols are subject to change.

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2. How will the LEA ensure continuity of services, including but not limited to services to address the students' academic needs, and students' and staff members' social, emotional, mental health, and other needs, which may include student health and food services?

Bishop Carroll Catholic High School will resume classes on Thursday, August 25<sup>th</sup> 2022. Students will have the following educational delivery options:

- 1. In-Person classroom instruction at Bishop Carroll Catholic High School (remote learning may be occasionally necessary depending on positive cases within the school community and governing body mandates)
- 2. Full remote instruction through Schoology, taught by BCCHS faculty

Student COVID-19 medical issues which require a temporary leave from the classroom will be addressed on a case by case basis to determine the most appropriate instructional alternatives to continue the student's education.

3. Use the table below to explain how the LEA will maintain the health and safety of students, educators, and other staff and the extent to which it has adopted policies, and a description of any such policy on each of the following safety recommendations established by the CDC.

ARP ESSER Requirement	Strategies, Policies, and Procedures
Universal and correct wearing of masks;	As of June 28, 2021, face coverings are optional for all individuals (staff, students, parents, and visitors), regardless of vaccination status, in Bishop Carroll Catholic High School offices, classrooms and sponsored events per expiration of the PA required mandate.

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Modifying facilities to allow for physical distancing:	<ul> <li>Bishop Carroll Catholic High School will consider the latest mandates provided by PDE, DOH, and CDC relative to physical distancing.</li> <li>Whenever COVID-19 is prevalent locally, physical distancing to the maximum extent feasible will continue to be recommended for indoor and outdoor spaces regardless of vaccination status.</li> <li>Expectations related to handwashing and</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Washing one's hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds</li> <li>If soap and water are not available, using hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol</li> <li>Avoid touching one's eyes, nose, and mouth</li> <li>Cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue or cough or sneeze into one's elbow</li> </ul>
Cleaning and maintaining healthy facilities, including improving ventilation;	Bishop Carroll Catholic High School will adhere to the latest mandates and recommendations provided by PDE, DOH, and CDC related to cleaning.

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- The use of universal precautions designed to minimize the transmission of communicable diseases will continue to be implemented. Hand sanitizer and cleaning materials will remain available.
- Limiting shared materials and equipment that cannot be easily cleaned will continue when feasible.
- Staff/students will continue to be expected to share in the cleaning and disinfecting of shared equipment and furniture/items within an individual's office or classroom.
- Additional cleaning and disinfecting protocols may be required as deemed appropriate or directed by the PA Department of Health.
- Contact tracing in combination with isolation and quarantine, in collaboration with the State and local health departments;
- COVID positive students, faculty, etc. will be required to isolate at home for five days from the time of testing.
- On day six, if they have been symptom free for 24 hours, they can return to school with a mask from days 6 to 10. If not symptom free they would continue isolation at home then when returning to school spend the next five days masked.
- There will be no contact tracing required at the school however If there is a student who was in school when they were COVID positive the parents are to be notified that their child was in class with someone who tested positive.

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Diagnostic and screening testing;	<ul> <li>All students, staff, and visitors are required to perform a symptom screening prior to arriving at school or at the school bus stop each day. Symptomatic people will be asked to NOT attend school or school sponsored events.</li> </ul>
Appropriate accommodations for students with disabilities with respect to health and safety policies; and	<ul> <li>Special accommodations or health care needs of students with disabilities.</li> <li>The Head of School and School Counselor will work with families to develop student specific education plans.</li> </ul>
Coordination with state and local health officials.	<ul> <li>Bishop Carroll Catholic High School will continue to maintain existing partnerships with local and state agencies regarding the COVID-19 pandemic.</li> <li>As with any communicable disease, Bishop Carroll Catholic High School will contact the DOH to report a suspected or known case of COVID-19 and follow any applicable guidance.</li> </ul>

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## BCCHS PANDEMIC RESPONSE TEAM

Individual(s) Stakeholder Group Represented Responsibilities			
Stephen Cotchen	BCCHS - Administration	Pandemic Coordinator – Head of School	
Lynn Weber	BCCHS – Administration	Plan Development & Response Team - Business Manager	
Jonathan Nagy	BCCHS - Teacher	Plan Development & Response Team - Dean of Students / Communication Director	
James Yeager	BCCHS – Athletic Director	Plan Development & Response Team - Athletic Director	
Doug Bopp	CCSD - Health Official	Pandemic Crisis Response Team - School Nurse	
Michael Saiani	BCCHS – Teacher/Athletic Director	Pandemic Crisis Response Team – Teacher	
Jerry Moschgat	Mainline Pharmacy – Board of Trustees	Pandemic Crisis Response Team - Board Member	
Lorie Ratchford	BCCHS – Advisor	Pandemic Crisis Response Team - Advisor	
Dr. Don Ratchford	BCCHS – Community Health Official	Pandemic Crisis Response Team - School Physician	
Brooke Weiland	BCCHS – Health Official	Pandemic Crisis Response Team - Certified Athletic Trainer	
Ted Fulton	BCCHS - Support Staff	Plan Development & Response Team - Director of Maintenance	

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## **Health and Safety Plan Governing Body Affirmation Statement**

The Board of Trustees for Bishop Carroll Catholic High School reviewed and approved the Phased School Reopening Health and Safety Plan on September 14, 2022.

The plan was approved by a vote of:	
Affirmed on: September 14, 2022	
By:	
(Signature of Board President)	
Christopher Smith	
(Print Name of Board President)	