

GUERIN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL FACE MASK ADMINISTRATIVE GUIDELINES

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Effective immediately and until further notice, all employees, students, parents, visitors, and vendors are required to wear a face mask upon entering the building, during transition periods, and any time social distancing is not possible.

Either a cloth or surgical mask can be worn. Vented masks should not be worn as they do not offer the proper protection. The use of a face covering can potentially slow the spread of the Coronavirus and help people who may have the virus and do not know it from transmitting it to others. A disposable supply of masks will be located at the front office for people who do not come to campus with a mask. All are welcome to wear a mask of their choosing as long as it covers the mouth and nose properly and is cared for as directed.

GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS FOR THE USE OF CLOTH FACE COVERINGS

When using a cloth face covering, make sure:

- The mask is plain, patterned, or has a Guerin Catholic design
- The mouth and nose are fully covered
- The covering fits snugly against the sides of the face so there are no gaps
- You do not have any difficulty breathing while wearing the cloth face covering
- The cloth face covering can be tied or otherwise secured to prevent slipping
- Avoid touching your face as much as possible. Keep the covering clean. Clean hands with soap and water or alcohol-based hand sanitizer immediately, before putting on, after touching or ad justing, and after removing the cloth face covering.
- Don't share it with anyone else unless it's washed and dried first. You should be the only person handling your covering.
- Laundry instructions will depend on the cloth used to make the face covering. In general, cloth face coverings should be washed regularly (e.g., daily and whenever soiled) using water and a mild detergent, dried completely in a hot dryer, and stored in a clean container or bag.

RECOMMENDATIONS WITH FACE MASKS

- Mark the outside of the mask in some way so you can easily identify which side is the outside of the mask, and handle it accordingly.
- Keep a bag handy for storing the mask every time you take it off. Always store a mask in a clean place. Never store it in a purse or pocket.
- Refrain from touching the outside of your mask while it is on your face.
- Refrain from pulling your mask below your chin while you are wearing it. Leaving the mask dangling or improperly fitted to your face creates opportunities for cross-contamination.