

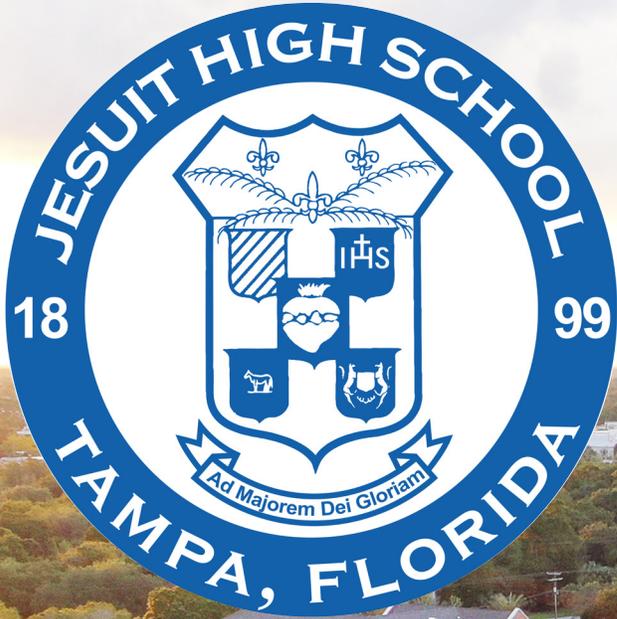
**JESUIT HIGH SCHOOL**  
**2020-21 SCHOOL**  
**REOPENING PLAN**  
“Together On Campus”





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# JESUIT HIGH SCHOOL

## 2020-21 SCHOOL REOPENING PLAN

For more than 470 years, Jesuit education throughout the world has been characterized by a rigorous academic curriculum that trains the mind, a rich array of student activities that develop talents and form character, and a disciplined order that helps boys become young men. The ultimate goal of Jesuit education is to lead students to God through the everyday events that make up a school year. This, of course, is best achieved on campus, with students and faculty together in person.

The importance of “*cura personalis*” in Jesuit education, the individual and personal care for each student, indicates the importance of being together on campus. The bonds of brotherhood among students and the vital relationships between students and faculty are best formed in the classroom, on the field, and on stage, person to person.

### **PREFERRED SCENARIO: TOGETHER ON CAMPUS**

Therefore, Jesuit High School plans to open the 2020-21 school year with all of our students and faculty together on campus every day. Our plan is for students and faculty to return to Himes Avenue on August 11, 2020, for *schola brevis*. Welcome Day for freshmen (August 9) and Freshman Orientation (August 10) will be held as previously scheduled.

Some families may choose to have their sons begin the school year at home. Those who choose to begin the year eLearning at home must commit to that model for the first quarter of the year. They could return to campus for face-to-face learning no earlier than October 12. All students choosing to learn from home will be expected to attend their daily classes via Zoom in “synchronous” fashion. They will follow the bell schedule for the day with attendance taken during each class period. The teachers will provide instruction from iPads and share in real time the notes and assignments being given to the students in the classroom. Students at home will be expected to complete and electronically submit homework and classwork by the specified deadlines. They will participate in all learning activities remotely with the exception of tests. Tests will be administered on campus through a testing center dedicated to eLearners only.

If it proves to be impossible at any time to follow the preferred scenario outlined in this School Reopening Plan, then the Jesuit faculty will immediately pivot to one of two alternatives, each of which involves a robust eLearning environment (see p. 27).



# THE CALL TO BE “MEN FOR OTHERS”

The safe reopening of Jesuit High School in August, with all of our students and faculty together on campus each day, requires the whole school community to come together with a determination and willingness to make sacrifices for the good of one another and our campus visitors. The call to be “Men for Others” has special resonance for all of us this school year.

*Faculty and staff must take care to observe the policies adopted by the school as regards the safety and health of employees and students, and must be prepared to provide additional support to students and families facing unanticipated challenges.*

*Parents will need to take particular care to safeguard the health of their families, keep their sons at home when sick, and avoid unsafe activities and situations.*

*Students in particular have a special obligation to themselves and their families, as well as their teachers and brother Tigers, to govern their own behavior and choices at all times, so that they do not put themselves or others at risk.*

In consultation with medical experts, we have developed two detailed protocols, one for Jesuit employees and one for students. These protocols provide explicit guidance for cases in which employees or students have symptoms of COVID-19 or a confirmed case of COVID-19, as well as for employees and students who have been in close proximity with an individual with a confirmed case of COVID-19. We will continue to revisit and amend these protocols and all safety procedures as circumstances warrant.

The challenges ahead give all of us the opportunity to be “Men for Others” each day and to dedicate the 2020-21 school year to the greater glory of God!





# OVERALL PROCEDURES AND SAFE PRACTICES

*Our top priority is to open campus each day to all students, faculty, and staff in as safe a manner as possible, and in a way that can be sustained throughout the year. Our mutual sense of responsibility, patience, and concern for one another (“Men for Others”), with a willingness to make necessary sacrifices, will be the virtues most needed to enjoy an environment where the learning and formation that characterize a Jesuit education can flourish.*

*While some of the general practices and procedures outlined below may change as circumstances warrant, we anticipate that most will remain in place for the foreseeable future. These practices include, but are not limited to, the following:*

- Masks to be worn at all times, properly covering the mouth and nose, except when eating and drinking, or participating in certain supervised athletic activities
- Signage posted in hallways and classrooms to promote social distancing and mask wearing
- Mutual expectation among students, faculty, and staff to promote physical distancing while on campus
- Regular reinforcement of best hygiene and safety practices
- Designated one-way stairwells and one-way entry into all school buildings
- Classroom doors propped open during change of classes
- Installation of additional hand sanitizer stations in every building
- Hand sanitizer provided in each classroom
- Water fountains turned off, except for touchless bottle refill stations
- Locker assignments minimized and spread out
- Classrooms arranged in exam-style seating to promote physical distancing as far as possible
- Acrylic dividers placed at all transaction counters
- Use of additional barriers, as required, to promote separation
- Reduced capacity in common areas and reduced traffic flow in cafeteria serving areas
- Separate secondary infirmary for students demonstrating COVID-19 symptoms





# FACILITIES AND OPERATIONS

## HOUSEKEEPING SERVICE

*Jesuit High School is privileged to be an exclusive client of A-1 Kleaning Clinic, a company that has provided outstanding service to the needs of the Jesuit school community for 25 years.*

- All A-1 employees trained in the safe and effective application of disinfectants
- Employees to be appropriately masked and gloved while working on campus
- Employees to receive temperature checks and symptom screening prior to each shift
- The A-1 team to disinfect all “high touch” surfaces on a daily basis
- Assembly spaces (chapel, MPR, gym, cafeteria) and classrooms to be cleaned and disinfected daily

## MAINTENANCE

*Jesuit’s dedicated in-house maintenance staff provides important services on campus and in our buildings throughout the day. To mitigate the possibility of infection:*

- Each member of the maintenance team to be properly masked and maintain responsible physical distancing from students and school personnel
- Maintenance employees to be screened regularly for symptoms
- MERV-13 air filters installed throughout campus to ensure highest level of air quality

## CAMPUS SECURITY

*Jesuit High School employs Bales Security to ensure the safety and security of students, employees, and campus guests. The following COVID-19 safety procedures are now in place:*

- Security staff to receive temperature checks and symptom screening prior to each shift
- Security staff to wear masks when interacting with students, school personnel, or guests

## LANDSCAPING (AMERISCAPE)

- Ameriscape employees to maintain proper physical distancing from others
- Ameriscape employees to wear masks when working close to buildings or student areas, as feasible

## OTHER EXTERNAL VENDORS

- Vendor employees required to wear masks on campus and observe physical distancing norms
- All personnel to receive temperature checks and symptom screening upon arrival



# CAMPUS ARRIVAL AND DISMISSAL

*The following protocol has been established to foster typical student activities before and after school and to minimize, as far as possible, the gathering of large numbers of students as they arrive and leave each day. These procedures will be adapted appropriately as we learn by experience.*

## **CAMPUS ARRIVAL**

- Before-school business to be conducted as close to normal as possible
- Students allowed to see teachers before school for help, utilize the testing center, study in the library, etc.
- Seating capacity to be limited in common areas such as the cafeteria, library, and Gonzmart Hall
- Students not to remain in cars or congregate in the parking lots before school
- At the 7:55 bell, students to report to either convocation or homeroom

## **DISMISSAL**

- At the 3:23 bell, all students to remain in eighth period class for dismissal by grade level
- Pick-up spots may be designated specifically by grade level
- After-school business to be conducted as close to normal as possible
- Students allowed to see teachers after school for help, utilize the testing center, study in the library, serve Penance Hall, etc.





# LUNCH PROTOCOL

*The lunch periods are a valuable time for Jesuit students to enjoy their classmates and friends while eating, to study individually or in small groups, or to seek out tutoring from teachers or members of the National Honor Society. To keep our lunch periods as safe as possible, and still allow for the benefits of this free period, several important new procedures will be in place. These include:*

- Each lunch period to be divided into two half periods to allow for better spacing
- Cafeteria capacity restricted by table to assist physical distancing
- Additional spaces on campus utilized for lunch
- Additional serving lines created to assist physical distancing
- Each serving line marked with 6' spacing markers

## **SAGE DINING**

*Our dining provider, SAGE, will follow all COVID-19 requirements as set forth by the Florida Department of Health. SAGE has prepared an opening plan that is best suited for the safety and enjoyment of our entire school community. Among the practices to be employed:*

- Hot meals and other food items served in closed containers
- Cutlery, napkins, and condiments wrapped individually in sealed packets
- Drinking and condiment stations eliminated
- All work and touch surfaces to be cleaned and sanitized regularly
- Acrylic screens to be used at cashier stations
- All Sage employees to use appropriate safety equipment and personal protection equipment and to receive temperature checks upon entry
- Team members reporting COVID-19 symptoms to follow the established school protocol for employees before returning
- SAGE staff known to be in close contact with anyone testing positive for COVID-19, on or off campus, to follow the protocol for school employees





# TECHNOLOGY

*The sophisticated and effective use of state-of-the-art technology greatly benefited our students and the whole school community during the pause in on-campus learning. The steps outlined below are designed to take advantage of all our resources and best practices so that students can resume their education on campus in a safe and dynamic environment. Students will be provided a safe environment for tech support during the school day by the following measures:*

## **INDIVIDUAL TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT**

- IT Department to configure iPads for all new students in advance and send instructions to incoming families for the safe distribution of iPads prior to the opening of school
- IT office to be reconfigured to provide students with a user-friendly, socially distanced place to receive help
- Help desk support specialist to wear gloves and mask when providing technology support to students
- Distance markers to be placed in hallway to space students waiting to enter
- All surfaces to be cleaned before each student approaches the help desk
- All iPads to be cleaned and disinfected before returned to students

## **GROUP TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT**

- Large group technology support to be provided in classroom settings where social distancing can be maintained
- More than three students from same class to be helped by IT personnel in classroom
- When more than three students from different classes require support, IT staff to use designated space for assistance





# STUDENT LIFE AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

*Jesuit is highly regarded for a dynamic student life that enriches student formation and expresses the spirit of the school. Our goal is to preserve the most important traditions, events, and activities with the necessary flexibility and creativity. The procedures and goals below refer only to some of the more important activities, but indicate our overall approach to student life.*

## CONVOCAATION

*We will preserve the tradition of convocation by:*

- Rotating groups of students in chapel throughout the week to reduce capacity
- Providing appropriate distance in seating students
- Requiring masks to be worn by students and teachers in chapel
- Livestreaming each convocation to homerooms for students not in chapel
- Maintaining homeroom for all on Thursday

## SCHOOL MASSES

*We will maintain a strong sacramental life on campus by:*

- Making use of multiple grade-level Masses, all-school outdoor celebrations, and other appropriate arrangements
- Maintaining normal confession schedule using appropriate physical distancing
- Preserving team blessings, adoration, and other celebrations within new convocation protocol

## CLUB ACTIVITIES

*We will:*

- Maintain Club Open House day with emphasis given to freshmen and sophomores to visit club displays
- Maintain Club Days with additional spaces and times allowed
- Make use of Zoom to foster club meetings and events
- Develop safe protocols for off-campus and eventually overnight activities

## PERSONAL FITNESS ACTIVITIES

- Hand sanitizer required before and after physical education class
- Activities, inside and outside, to be conducted in small groups to emphasize skills, fitness exercises, or to participate in certain games
- Weight racks relocated to the breezeway
- Game and weight room equipment to be disinfected regularly

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DADS' CLUB SUPPORTS YOU

# ATHLETICS

*Jesuit athletics plays a crucially formative role in the lives of our students and the student body as a whole. In accord with the policies and directions of the Florida High School Athletic Association (FHSAA) and Hillsborough County Public Schools, several of our sports teams have been engaged in conditioning activities on campus since the middle of June. Deliberations about fall sports continue.*

*Therefore, we will:*

- Continue to monitor the recommendations of the FHSAA and our local district officials
- Follow state, local, and CDC recommendations, as feasible, for the resumption of high school sports relative to physical distancing, shared equipment, sanitizing procedures, and so forth
- Disinfect facilities and equipment on a regular basis
- Evaluate transportation of our athletes with respect to vehicle capacity and physical distancing requirements, and ensure that our school-owned vehicles and all chartered transportation have been properly disinfected
- Verify that opponents have properly disinfected all areas used by our athletes at away contests
- Clean and disinfect athletic training treatment areas on a regular basis
- Limit spectators in accordance with facility occupancy requirements





# STUDENTS AND PARENTS

## STUDENTS

*Forming bonds of brotherhood and learning to be “Men for Others” are part of the very fabric of the Jesuit experience. Every student is called to a strong sense of responsibility for the health and safety of his Tiger brothers and all others on campus. All students are expected to hold themselves and one another accountable in helping mitigate the spread of viruses on campus.*

*Therefore, all students will:*

- Wear face masks in compliance with school rules
- Maintain responsible physical distance from others
- Refrain from sharing food, drinks, cell phones, or supplies
- When coughing or sneezing, turn from others and use the elbow or available tissues
- When feeling ill prior to school, make the responsible decision to stay home
- Report to the office when experiencing any symptoms during the school day

## PARENTS

*The strong partnership between parents and our faculty and staff is an integral part of the foundation for Jesuit’s success since 1899 at forming young men into leaders in this community and beyond. For the well-being of our whole community we expect parents to:*

- Sign the COVID-19 waiver and screening form promise prior to the students’ first day on campus
- Monitor their son for potential symptoms and temperature before he departs for school each day
- Keep their son home if sick
- Contact their health care provider if their son exhibits COVID-19 symptoms
- Report to the school secretary (discipline office) if their son has a confirmed case of COVID-19
- Report to the school secretary (discipline office) if their son has had close contact (within 6 feet for more than 15 minutes) with somebody with a confirmed case of COVID-19
- Comply fully with the school’s protocol for students who have tested positive for COVID-19 or have been in close contact with someone who has tested positive





# FACULTY, STAFF, AND VISITORS

## FACULTY AND STAFF

*Our faculty and entire staff have been hard at work since early March to ensure that all the students continue to receive an outstanding and transformative Jesuit education and formation. We will continue to do so in a way that safeguards the safety and health of our whole school community and in compliance with local and state authorities and the recommendations of the CDC.*

*The faculty and staff commit to:*

- Modeling good practices of physical distancing, the wearing of face coverings, and proper hygiene
- Reminding the students on a regular basis of the importance of physical distance, the consistent wearing of face masks, and recommended hygiene practices
- Sending students to the school infirmary if they exhibit cold or flu-like symptoms
- Providing generous assistance to all students whether physically present on campus or learning from home
- Helping students who experience illness to make up work and resume their studies when fully recovered
- Adjusting quickly and professionally to changes in our educational and learning scenarios as circumstances warrant
- Finding new ways to maintain formative activities and events when circumstances require changes to our traditional manner of proceeding

## VISITORS

- As usual, all visitors will report either to Gonzmart Hall or Hyer Hall, depending on the purpose of their visit
- At those locations, each visitor during the school day to have close contact and interaction with students or employees will be screened for temperature and COVID-19 symptoms at check-in
- Visitors attending the morning Mass before school may proceed directly to the Chapel of the Holy Cross, but are asked to depart immediately after Mass without congregating on campus
- Visitors should wear face masks and avoid any unauthorized contact with students





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# ALTERNATIVE SCENARIOS

## HYBRID SCENARIO

If, for whatever reason, Jesuit is unable to resume school on August 11 as planned, with all of our students together on campus, we will begin the year with a hybrid scenario that allows for 50% of the student body, on an alternating basis, to be physically present on campus each day. The rotation will be primarily by alphabet to allow students from all grade levels to be on campus at the same time and to allow brothers to remain on the same schedule.

On the alternating days, when students are not on campus but learning from home, they will be expected to attend their daily classes via Zoom in “synchronous” fashion. They will follow the bell schedule for the day with attendance taken during each class period. The teachers will provide instruction from iPads and share in real time the notes and assignments being given to the students in the classroom. Students at home will be expected to complete and electronically submit homework and classwork by the specified deadlines. In general, testing and assessments will be conducted on days when students are physically present in class.

As already stated, students whose parents feel they cannot return at the beginning of the year every day in the preferred scenario, or even every other day in this hybrid scenario, will be required to participate in each class throughout the day by synchronous eLearning from home.

## 100% EARNING AT HOME

If at any point we resume a lockdown in such a way that no student can be present on campus, all courses will be taught via Zoom in the same synchronous fashion employed for those students who choose to remain at home in the two previous scenarios.





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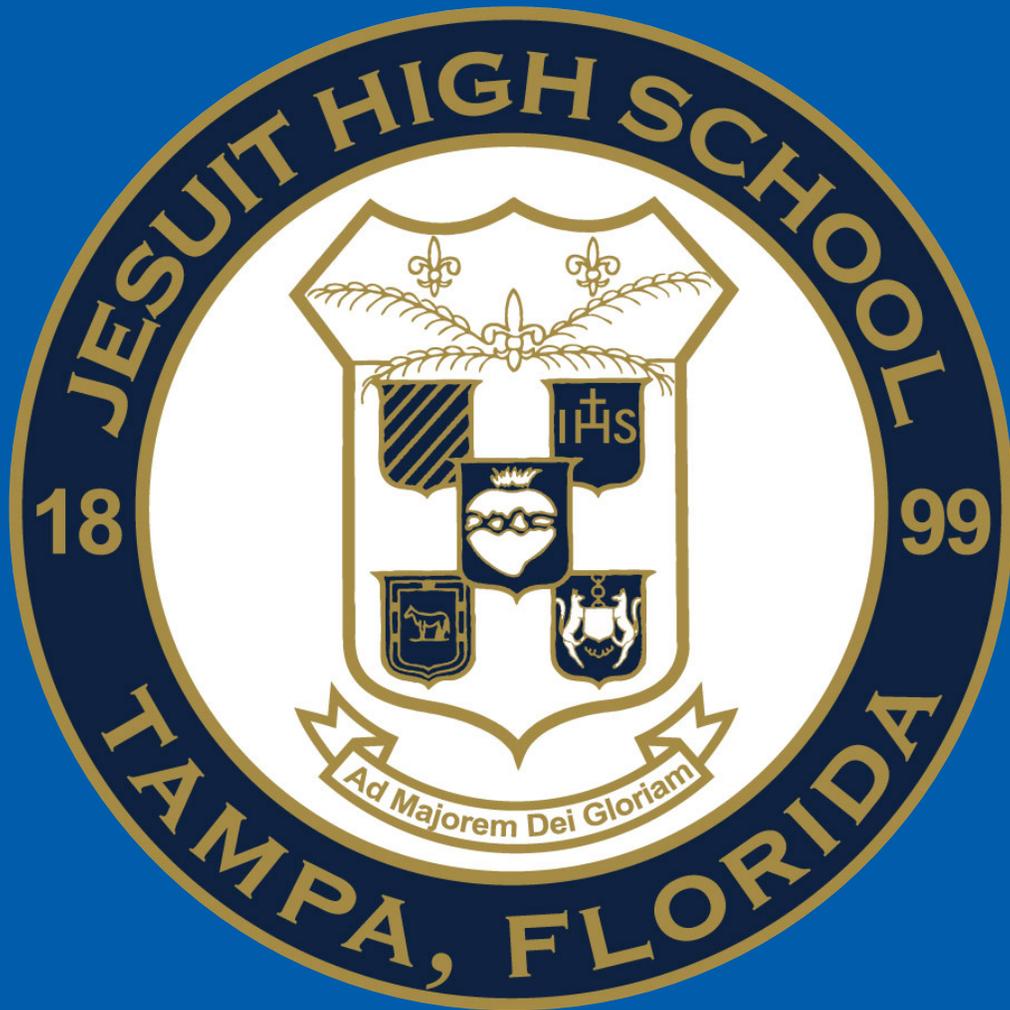
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