



November 6, 2020

Dear Wonderful Nazareth Families,

As a community, we need to partner together, in order to give all of our Nazareth students the best and safest education possible.

- It is important for families who have chosen in-person learning to have their child(ren) present in class every day.
- Those families who have chosen to be on-campus learners may not toggle between in class and distance learning, unless your child(ren) are sick.
- Nazareth School is not set up to teach hybrid curriculum, we ask that you are either a full time distance learner or full time on-campus learner.
- If their symptoms are mild, then we welcome them to join class via the distance learning platform, otherwise please let God grant them His healing grace and have them be absent.
- Please call the office and let us know your child is ill and will not be on campus, and we will gather their books, so they may participate fully with all of their needed resources.
- We kindly ask you to plan your family vacations during school holidays, but if the need arises, please know our distance learning platform is not intended for vacationers, but for students who are sick or full-time distance learners. To be a successful learner, children need all of their books, resources, and a quiet place to distance learn.

In addition, please know we recently updated the Nazareth School Reopening Plan to include the following, as well a few other changes:

Pursuant to California Health and Safety Code sections 101040, 120175, and 120175.5 (b) the Health Officer of the County of San Diego (Health Officer) all public and private schools are mandated to all school districts, charter schools, and private schools serving grades TK – 12 inclusive, shall report the following to the San Diego County Office of Education (SDCOE) on or before the second and fourth Monday of each month, in a format designated by SDCOE:

- i. Number of students participating in full-time in-person learning, by school site and school district, if applicable.
- ii. Number of students participating in hybrid learning (a mix of in-person and distance learning) by school site and school district, if applicable.
- iii. Number of students participating in distance learning by school site and school district, if applicable.
- iv. Number of school employees who work onsite at a school, by school site and school district, if applicable.
- v. The name, email, mailing address, and phone number of the person responsible for responding to complaints regarding COVID-19 prevention, by school site and school district, if applicable. SDCOE shall report this information to the

County of San Diego by the end of business on the following day (Tuesday) and shall post this information on its publicly facing website.

c. All school districts, charter schools, and private schools serving grades TK – 12 inclusive, as required in the most recent COVID -19 Industry Guidance: Schools and School-Based Programs, shall notify local health officials immediately of any positive case of COVID-19, and exposed staff and families, as relevant, while maintaining confidentiality as required by state and federal laws.

Lastly, with the upcoming holidays/possible travel or guests coming into your homes, and still the need to keep the safety of our students and staff of the utmost importance, I am going to slightly alter our return to school plans based on these two scenarios.

Should you and your family decide to travel or have guests visit you, I ask that you respect all of our community by doing the following:

If a child, household member, teacher or staff member travels to another county or state with widespread community transmission, please follow the guidance's below:

- [Practice social distancing](#)
- Be alert to symptoms
- Watch for fever, cough, shortness of breath, and [other symptoms](#) of COVID-19
- Take temperature if symptoms develop
- Follow [CDC guidance](#) if symptoms develop
- Isolate for 14 days if you are exposed to an individual with COVID-19
- If you are travelling to a well-known hot zone please consider having a COVID-19 test and waiting 72 hours prior to returning to Nazareth School.

Nazareth School would appreciate open communication about travel and potential exposure to keep everyone safe during this time. I ask that you please have the respect and integrity to be forthright about this in reporting back to me as principal of the school. Many in our community have extenuating circumstances or underlying conditions that may put us at risk if we do not work together to abide by these new directives.

I would like to share a personal story with you. My sweet mother is 82 years old and suffers from Parkinson's Disease, as well as a host of other complications, unfortunately she is seriously ill. My father, on the other hand, is amazingly healthy at the ripe age of 92 and I am their link to the real-world, I visit and shop for them every weekend. As a precaution, my family and I get tested weekly for COVID-19, I do not want to be the one to who causes my parents or anyone at Nazareth harm.

My prayer is...as members of the Nazareth Community, you feel the same. As a gift to your Nazareth Family, please take great precautions during the approaching holidays and family gatherings, especially as your traveling increases.

I thank you for your support and cooperation as we continue to fight this virus in the safest ways possible. Please re-read these directives from the CDC (attached) and let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

[CDC Link to Preventing Getting Sick From COVID-19](#)

Please read the entire Nazareth News for all of the fun upcoming events! Especially the PTG Family Fun Zoom Night on Tuesday, November 10th, it will be a great time to relax with our Nazareth Community.

God watch over our students,
God watch over our parents,
God watch over our teachers and staff!

God Bless,

Mrs. René Coons
Principal
Nazareth School