



SANT BANI SCHOOL

COVID-19 Frequently Asked Questions - August 2022

All Sant Bani School COVID-19 policies have been written with guidance from the CDC and New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS). Please note that the School's COVID-19 guidelines are subject to change.

1. What daily health screening are students and employees required to submit?

Students and employees are required to complete a health screening questionnaire every morning, before arriving on campus, through the MyMedBot app. The responses to this questionnaire will determine whether or not the student or employee will be permitted on campus that day.

2. What are the COVID-19 symptoms that prevent an individual from being permitted on campus?

An individual displaying any of the following symptoms may not come to campus: fever of 100.4°F, chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea.

3. What is the protocol if a student or staff member has any of the symptoms listed above?

- If a student has any of the symptoms listed above, please keep them home from school and notify Nurse Jamie by phone or email AND indicate the symptoms present in MyMedBot.
- The student or staff member can decide if they want to be tested for COVID-19.
 - **If they decide to get tested**, they may return to school following a negative test, when their symptoms have improved, and they are fever-free for 24 hours without fever-reducing medication.
 - **If they decide NOT to get tested**, they will be required to quarantine for 5 days. They may return to school at the conclusion of the 5-day quarantine if they are asymptomatic and have been fever-free for 24 hours without fever-reducing medication.

4. What is the protocol if a student or employee tests positive for COVID-19?

If a student or employee at Sant Bani School is diagnosed with COVID-19, the family (student) or person (employee) should immediately notify Nurse Jamie.

An individual who tests positive and is symptomatic must isolate for 5 days from the start of their symptoms. If they are asymptomatic they must isolate for 5 days from the date of their test. They may return at the end of the 5-day period if they are asymptomatic and have not had a fever in 24 hours without fever-reducing medication.

5. What is the protocol if someone is asymptomatic but tests positive for COVID-19?

If a student or employee is asymptomatic but tests positive for COVID-19, they will need to isolate for 5 days after their initial test. They can return if they are asymptomatic and fever-free for 24 hours without fever-reducing medication.

6. When does my child need to be tested for COVID-19?

If a student shows any symptoms of COVID-19, the student will not be permitted to be on campus. Sant Bani School cannot require students to be tested for COVID-19, but strongly recommends that students who show symptoms are tested. Students displaying symptoms may return to campus following a negative test once symptoms improve.

7. What is the protocol if a student or employee suddenly develops COVID-19 symptoms during the school day?

If a student or employee suddenly begins displaying COVID-19 symptoms during the school day, they will be removed from their current location and isolated. As of February 7, the School has the ability to conduct a rapid antigen test for individuals who give consent or whose families give consent. Any person who is exhibiting symptoms will be sent home, regardless of the test result, and will remain home until symptoms improve.

8. Will the Sant Bani School community be notified if a student or employee who has been on campus tests positive for COVID-19?

As of February 7, we will no longer send community-wide emails after we learn of a positive test.

9. How will we know if there are active COVID-19 cases at school?

A COVID-19 Dashboard that is updated weekly is located in FACTS. This dashboard lists ongoing cases and resolved cases for the current school year..

10. What happens if my child is a close contact of an individual who tests positive?

Parents should monitor their child for symptoms, and we suggest taking a PCR test 5-7 days after exposure. If your child develops symptoms, please keep them home from school; as long as they are asymptomatic, they may continue coming to school. If a close household contact of a student tests positive and the student is not up to date on receiving all of their COVID-19 vaccines, they must quarantine for 5 days from their last contact with the positive person.

11. At what point would SBS close the campus and transition to Distance Learning?

Sant Bani School will follow the guidance of the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services regarding closure due to COVID-19. Our intention is to remain open unless the NH DHHS recommends or mandates school closures.

12. What are the different on-campus safety LEVERS?

In 2020-21, we had a three-tiered code system to calibrate our school operations and instructions to the public and serve as our manner to communicate the mitigated risk of transmission on school grounds. Recognizing that we cannot eliminate the risk entirely, we transitioned to a **Levers** system, which allows the school to monitor, adjust, and respond to the situational conditions with a greater degree of flexibility and clarity.

- *View a chart with the various on-campus safety levers on the next page.*

Cohort Definitions

- *Grade Level Cohorts* = students only interact with other students in their grade.
- *Team Cohort* = students may interact with other students within their team (SBS teams are grades K-2; grades 3-5; grades 6-8).
- *Mixed Cohorts* = students from different teams may interact.

LEVERS	RED (Strictest Level)	YELLOW (Moderate Level)	GREEN (Relaxed Level)
Cohorts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non-mixing cohorts with restricted cohort movement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grade Level Cohorts inside the building • Team cohorts outside of the building 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Team Cohorts mixing
Masks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Masks indoors. Masks outdoors unless social distancing can be maintained 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Masks indoors; No mask outdoors 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High risk masking only
Eating Together	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lunches eaten with cohort only 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lunches eaten with cohort only 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resume regular lunch routines with mixed cohorts
Social Distancing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Indoor; 6 ft. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Indoor; 3 ft. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No restriction
Visitors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stay in car for pick up / drop off • Employees and students only in the building • Designated entrances and exits 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stay in car for pick up / drop off • Essential Visitors inside the building* • Visitors allowed outside 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visitors allowed in limited capacity w/ protocols
Performing Arts / Sports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Performing Arts activities modified • Physical Education activities modified 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Intramural sports 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resume Performing Arts • Resume Athletics
Field Trips	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No field trips 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Select destinations • Grade level only 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Select destinations • Team Cohorts
Clubs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On campus clubs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Select destinations • Team Cohorts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Select destinations • Mixed cohorts

*Essential Visitors (e.g. masked, 3 ft social distancing) as defined by: “a person who is invited to campus by a school administrator or health care professional” following current SBS protocols.