

Dear Parents,

I am excited to begin yet another school year at CCS. This will be the start of my 5th year and I cannot wait to see what God is going to do! Each year has brought its own challenges and this year is certainly no exception! Student and staff safety have always been a priority at CCS, but we find ourselves in a position in which we must do more. It will be imperative for us to work together as closely as possible to ensure the safety of the students and staff at CCS. We have taken many precautions to minimize the spread of COVID-19. Here are some highlights of our school re-entry plan (the complete document may be found on our website):

- It is imperative that you keep your child home if they are sick, particularly if they exhibit symptoms of COVID-19.
- All students/staff/visitors will have their temperature screened upon entry every day.
- Upon arrival to school, students will be immediately directed to their classroom.
- All students/staff/visitors (third grade and above) will be required to wear a face covering/mask when social distancing is not an option. For example, when transitioning from classrooms, to and from recess, etc. Face coverings/masks may be removed once the student is seated in their classroom.
- Assigned seating in the classrooms/lunchroom.
- Desks will be spaced as far as possible and will face the same direction.
- Hand washing will be required throughout the day. Hand sanitizer will be available in each classroom and in other locations throughout the building.
- Increased cleaning and disinfecting of surfaces throughout the day.
- We will do our best to minimize students traveling throughout the building through careful scheduling of classes as well as having specials teachers instruct students in their home classroom.
- Should a student exhibit symptoms of COVID throughout the school day, students will be sent to the designated “clinic location” to await arrival of parents/guardians.

This certainly is not an exhaustive list of everything we plan to do to protect students and staff and does not cover every situation that may arise over the course of the school year. Additional documents related to our COVID-19 plan, including our responsibility as a school if a student tests positive and guidelines that dictate when students can return to school, can be found on our website. I believe it is important for you to know that while we submit ourselves to those in authority over us, we do so recognizing God as our ultimate authority. We are looking forward to the time when we can learn without taking extra precautions, but we are also excited to witness the power of God, even in such a time as this.

As always, please contact me if you have any questions, concerns, comments...anything! I am open to have conversations about this or any issue you would like to discuss! You can email me at jwilderman@covingtonchristianschool.com or you can call the school, 765-793-2365, or call my cell, 765-585-8206.

In obedience to Christ,

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