



SJB PHASE TWO DURING COVID OCTOBER 19 - DECEMBER 22, 2020

Phase Two will begin on October 19th, after we return from MEA break. The daily learning environment/plan as well as the requirements around social distancing, mask wearing, and daily symptom checks will not significantly change during phase two.

Our primary goal continues to be holding in-person learning for most of our students. Those who have an exposure or COVID like symptoms will continue to remain home until their approved date of return. This is extremely important if we want to achieve this goal.

Recognizing that we are entering cold/flu season and understanding the desire of families to possibly gather with their families over the holidays - even in a more modified or reserved way - requires us to be even more vigilant to mitigate the exposure to our community. We must plan for possible distance learning for some students or the entire school due to exposure or spikes in positive cases, which might prevent us from learning in-person.

Here are important things in Phase Two:

- 1) There will be no significant change from the day to day learning environment or experience for your students.
- 2) WE WILL CONTINUE TO:
 - a. Perform temperature checks in the morning.
 - b. Wear masks.
 - c. Practice social distancing whenever possible, especially in moving throughout the hallways, bathrooms, recess, and in the classroom.
 - d. Eat lunch in the classrooms for most grades.
- 3) NEW:
 - a. We will be implementing mask breaks in the classroom as the weather gets colder, especially if we cannot get outside due to the weather. We will provide guidelines for those breaks.
 - b. Middle School will be changing for gym class due their small sizes. The students will change in small groups of about 3-4 students.
- 4) CALENDAR CHANGES:
 - a. November 23rd and 24th will be ½ day distance learning days as a practice run for both students and teachers. Parent Teacher Conferences will be from 1p-8p on both days, which can either be done in person or online through Zoom.
 - b. The week following Christmas break will be distance learning to help limit our community's exposure following the holidays. We will distance learn January 4th-8th and return to school on January 11th.
- 5) TRAVELING:
 - a. If you are traveling or meeting with your family during this time, we do ask that you are cautious and adhere to recommendations that will keep your family safe and healthy as well as keep St. John's students healthy upon their return to school.
 - b. For more information about CDC recommendations regarding the holidays, please visit their site: [CDC Holiday Celebrations](#)

Finally, if there is a spike of multiple positive cases among our school families between October 19th and Christmas, we will consider a gradual shift toward distance learning for some or all students. This will be decided if we need to close multiple classrooms at the same time or if we are unable to staff classrooms.