

Return to Learn Committee Meeting-Notes

February 18, 2022, 9:00 AM

Members Present-

Laurie Boland, Jr./Sr. High Representative
Mary Charlton, Parent Representative, Epidemiologist
Joy Kelly, Regina Head of School
Dan Livorsi, Parent Representative, Infectious Disease Physician
Jess Pizana, Tech Director Regina Education Center
Glenn Plummer, Jr./Sr. High Principal
Shane Schemmel, Communications and Marketing Director
Melinda Shetler, Parent
Kelly Starr, Elementary Assistant Principal
Celeste Vincent, Elementary Principal

Members Unable to Attend -

Andy Cutter, Board President/Parent
Tim Foley, Jr./Sr. High Assistant Principal
Sarah Haskell, Parent Representative, Pediatric Critical Care Physician
Sue Kloos, Regina Health & Safety Committee
Larry Pohren, Jr./Sr. High Representative
Kris Rutt, K-6 Elementary Representative
Rich Smith, Regina Director of Facilities

Meeting Began at 9:04 AM

1. Internet outage at Regina impacted the start of the meeting. Those on the Regina campus had to call into the google meet via phone rather than log in online. Teachers were initially unable to connect.
2. Discussion regarding the February 23rd, 9:30 am Mass with the Bishop. Committee agreed that this should be a full K-12 Mass with all students gathered in the Regina Jr/Sr High gym. The risk assessment is low due to the steadily declining case numbers in the community and on campus as well as the mask mandate will still be in effect so all students will be masked. Plans are underway to move the altar back to use all the bleachers and floor space to help spread students out as much as possible, however, visitors will not be included to attend this Mass as there will not be enough space to do so. An alternate space will be provided for families who do not feel comfortable sending their children into a large group gathering.
3. Discussion regarding the future Mass gatherings and special events. The committee cannot predict what the circumstances will be or how COVID may/may not evolve. We will need to evaluate each event at the time it is scheduled. These special event gatherings are on the calendar:
 - **March 2nd - Ash Wednesday:** Prayer Service and mural painting take place in the jr/sr high gym for 7-12th grades; K-6 will also have a service. The goal would be to invite families to attend. There will be more space with fewer students in the gym, but the setup can be rearranged to better accommodate students and guests. An alternative space for students who do not want to gather in large groups will be offered since masks will be optional at this point.
 - April 20 - Memorial Mass: Committee will evaluate this event as it gets closer.
4. Discussion of how we respond to positive covid cases going forward after the mask mandate ends and masking is optional.
 - Currently, we are not notifying close contacts because everyone is masked
 - Preliminary Discussion: will be finalized at the February 25 meeting
 - Individuals who are up to date on immunizations should isolate days 1-5, wear masks days 6-10.
 - Close contacts who have up-to-date immunization should wear masks for days 1-10 and symptom monitor. Close contacts who are not up to date on immunizations should isolate days 1-5 and wear a mask days 6-10.
 - In elementary encourage the entire classroom to wear masks if positive case surfaces
 - In jr/sr high encourage the entire classroom to wear if 2 or more cases surface
 - Want to make sure messaging is emphasized to students, staff, and families that whether someone wears a mask or not is a family decision and that everyone should be given respect and not pressured either way.
5. Birthday treats and classroom snacks no longer have to be only pre-packaged. They can be homemade again.

Meeting ended at 9:36 Next Meeting, February 25th, 2022 at 9:00 AM