



**COVID-19 PANDEMIC: STUDENT / FAMILY STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS, UNDERSTANDING, AND CONSENT  
FOR THE 2021 – 2022 SCHOOL YEAR**

NAME OF STUDENT(S):	
NAME OF PARENT/GUARDIANS:	SCHOOL: St. Joseph Catholic Academy

**Section 1: The COVID-19 Pandemic**

COVID-19 and Covid-19 variants (hereinafter "COVID-19"), has been declared a worldwide pandemic and is extremely contagious. As a result, in order to resume in-person educational activities at the school, social distancing and other safety measures have been enacted at the Archdiocese of Milwaukee Catholic School named above (hereinafter "School"). The School has put in place safety measures and standards of behavior to reduce the spread of COVID-19 at School and at School activities. Even with implementation of safety protocols, the School cannot guarantee that you, members of your household, or your child(ren) will not become infected with COVID-19 and cannot guarantee that attendance at School and/or participation in the School's activities will not increase your risk and/or your child(ren)'s risk of contracting COVID-19.

**Section 2: Direction to Parents and Legal Guardians**

In addition to the safety measures being implemented by School, the above-named parents and legal guardians (hereinafter "Parents and Legal Guardians") hereby agree to adopt the following safety measures of their own to help ensure the safety of all School students, families, teachers, and staff. These safety measures are as follows:

1. **Daily Health Screen.** Each morning, Parents and Legal Guardians shall take the necessary steps to determine whether their child(ren) are exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19, including, but not limited to, temperature checks for fever (as defined by the CDC as at or above 100.4), review for the presence of any symptoms commonly associated with COVID-19, such as 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, and/or diarrhea. Should your child(ren) exhibit any symptoms of COVID-19, we require that you keep your child(ren) home.
2. **School's COVID-19 Safety Plan.** Parents and Legal Guardians agree to follow School's COVID-19 Safety Plan, which is attached to this document as Exhibit A and incorporated by reference herein.

**Section 3. Students Exhibiting COVID-19 Symptoms at School**

Should a child demonstrate any symptoms of COVID-19 at School, School will contact that child's Parents and Legal Guardians to require that child be picked up from School and taken home in a timely manner.

**Section 4. Known Exposure to COVID-19**

In the event that a child or a household member living with a child has been knowingly exposed to COVID-19, the Parents and Legal Guardians of that child hereby agree to immediately take the following steps:

1. Contact child's healthcare provider.
2. Follow the local health department's protocols for quarantine, isolation, and return to work or school.

3. Notify School of the exposure.
4. Prior to child returning to School, Parents and Legal Guardians agree to contact School to inform School of the steps taken to ensure that child is no longer contagious based on the protocols and guidelines of the local health department.

**Section 5. Positive COVID-19 Test**

In the event that a child or a household member living with a child has tested positive for COVID-19, the Parents and Legal Guardians of that child hereby agree to immediately take the following steps:

1. Contact child’s healthcare provider.
2. Follow the local health department’s protocols for quarantine, isolation, and return to work or school.
3. Notify School of the exposure.
4. Prior to child returning to School, Parents and Legal Guardians agree to contact School to inform School of the steps taken to ensure that child is no longer contagious based on the protocols and guidelines of the local health department.
5. Provide School with evidence of child’s negative COVID-19 test result and/or a release from child’s healthcare provider.

**Section 6. Acknowledgement of Risk**

By signing this COVID-19 Pandemic: Student/Family Statement of Operations, Understanding, and Consent for the 2021 – 2022 School Year, I/we acknowledge the contagious nature of COVID-19, that my/our child(ren) and I/we may be exposed to or infected by COVID-19 by attending and/or working and/or volunteering at school and/or by participating in school activities, and that such exposure or infection may result in personal injury, illness, permanent disability, and death. I/we understand that the risk of becoming exposed to or infected by COVID-19 at the above-named School may result from the actions, omissions, or negligence of myself/ourselves and others, including, but not limited to School employees, volunteers, students, and their families.

**I/we further agree on behalf of myself/ourselves, my/our child (student) named herein, and my/our heirs, successors, and assigns, to absolutely release, defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the named School, associated parishes and school systems, principals, teachers, volunteers, and the Archdiocese of Milwaukee, its directors, officers, employees, attorneys, agents, representatives, and insurers/third-party administrators (hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Indemnified Parties") from any and all claims or causes of actions in any way related to COVID-19, brought by any person or entity, including but not limited to, all claims and causes of action based on the alleged negligence of the Indemnified Parties, other third parties, or my own negligence.**

LEGAL PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE:	DATE:
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