

Heritage Academy Be Prepared COVID-19 Plan – Fall 2021

According to the Boone County Health Department's "COVID-19 Guidance: Moving Us Forward" (<https://www.como.gov/coronavirus/guidance/>), all Boone County COVID-19 related mandates have expired as of May 12, 2021. Going forward, we want to continue to promote the following priorities: (1) honor God by following local ordinances, (2) keep students and families safe and healthy by promoting COVID-19 health awareness, (3) conduct school in-person, and (4) protect the emotional and mental health of our students. Heritage Academy will continue to take steps to promote these priorities.

***** This plan will be updated as needed or required by future city, county, or state regulations. *****

“Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves.
Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others.” ~ Philippians 2:3-4

Vaccinations – the CDC encourages vaccinations against the COVID-19 virus. Follow this link to learn about CDC guidelines related to COVID-19 vaccinations -- <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/your-vaccination.html>. We recognize that getting the COVID-19 vaccination is a personal decision made in consultation with your doctor. The Heritage family consists of vaccinated and un-vaccinated families.

Stay home – If you feel sick or might have been exposed to COVID-19, exercise caution by staying home from school. Your student can participate in class by Microsoft TEAMS. **Temperature checks** will continue this fall 2021 for entry into the building to encourage COVID-19 health awareness. In addition, parents are encouraged to check their student's temperature at home. Parents are asked to familiarize themselves with the CDC check list for self-screening for COVID related symptoms. An example of the CDC check list can be found [here](#).

Sickness – If your student or a family member is sick, exhibits flu-like or COVID-19 symptoms, or tests positive for COVID-19, contact the school office to notify the school of sickness. This will assist the school in determining if additional efforts are necessary to quarantine or isolate students to prevent the potential spread of COVID-19.

General Hygiene and Disinfection Plan -- The building will be cleaned every week on Sunday evening (by the church) and Friday evening (by the school). Extra cleaning measures will be taken during school days and at the end of each school day as needed. Hand sanitizer will be made available in the foyer and the fellowship hall. Students will be asked to clean hands as they enter the building. Hand washing with soap will also be encouraged in the morning and throughout the day.

Protocol for Students or Teachers who test positive with COVID-19

If a student, teacher, or staff member tests positive for COVID-19, the school will issue guidance for quarantining in line with CDC and Boone County Health Department guidelines. If it is determined that a class, group, or cohort was exposed while on campus, the school will issue guidance for quarantining in line with CDC and Boone County Health Department guidelines. For any teacher or student(s) quarantined, school will continue online utilizing Microsoft TEAMS. If a student or teacher has been exposed to someone testing positive (but not a student at Heritage), then the appropriate protocol is for the student or teacher to self-quarantine and notify the school office.

Heritage Academy Quarantine Guidelines (following exposure to COVID-19)

1. 10 day quarantine is required for students, teachers, or group who remain asymptomatic. Students would be required to wear a mask for the four additional days (upon return to class).
2. 7 day quarantine is required for students, teachers, or group who remain asymptomatic and receive a negative COVID-19 Test (test must occur on day 5 or later). Students would be required to wear a mask for seven additional days.