



CEDAR VALLEY
CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

October 7, 2021

Dear CVCS Community,

In September the CVCS Board commissioned a COVID Advisory Committee to provide guidance on COVID mitigation strategies, and assistance in interpretation of recommendations and mandates from local, state and federal agencies. Members of the committee are: Brian Holthaus (chair), Cassie Hernandez, Michelle Heine, Amy Rasmussen, and Dr. Joseph Kwofie. Input, feedback and questions for the advisory committee should be directed to Tanya Cutsforth at tcutsforth@cvcatholic.org.

Cedar Valley Catholic Schools continue to follow the COVID-19 mitigation and prevention plan outlined at the beginning of the 2021-2022 school year. At the direction of the advisory committee, on October 7, 2021, CVCS will begin reporting positive COVID-19 cases for K-12 students through the CVCS Daily Covid Tracker at www.cvcatholic.org/covid-tracker. The following guidelines will be used for reporting in this tracker:

- Updated counts will be based on a 10-day window of current cases
- If there are no cases in a population, "0" will be reported
- If there are 5 or fewer cases in a population, "--" will be reported
- True numbers will be reported when there are six or more cases in the population
- The tracker will be updated by 3pm daily--Monday-Friday

Blessed Sacrament Early Childhood Center will continue to follow the Department of Human Services guidelines for notification and will notify PK and daycare families of any positive cases by letter.

Thank you for your support of Cedar Valley Catholic Schools. Please continue to pray for all those affected by COVID-19 and an end to the pandemic.

Blessings,

CVCS Administrative Team

Cedar Valley Catholic Schools

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Blessed Sacrament Early Childhood Center

St. Edward Elementary School

Blessed Maria Assunta Pallotta Middle School

Columbus Catholic High School

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