



Diocese of Knoxville Catholic Schools: Preparing Scholars, Leaders, & Saints

May 20, 2021

Dear Catholic School families,

Greetings!

As we wind down the school year and move into our summer programs, I believe it is time to revisit our mask policies. Given the recent CDC mask guidance for fully vaccinated adults and Bishop Stika’s updated decree for health protocols for those attending Mass or working in the Chancery or Parish offices (beginning May 22-23), we are now at the point where we can make a decision about mask requirements for our *summer programming* at schools for the 2021-2022 school year.

Effective May 24, 2021, Diocesan school employees and students will no longer be required to wear facemasks. Those staff and families who are uncomfortable with the lifting of this requirement may still wear a facemask if they so desire. In instances where learning takes place indoors and special health circumstances apply, teachers may still require students to wear a mask.

As always, the health of our staff and students is of high importance and we welcome any concerns. We will continue to monitor the health of staff and students throughout the summer and will make a decision regarding masks and other health protocols for the 2021-22’ school year at a later date.

In Christ,

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SACRED HEART  
CATHEDRAL SCHOOL  
EST. 1956



KNOXVILLE CATHOLIC  
HIGH SCHOOL



NOTRE DAME  
HIGH SCHOOL - CHATTANOOGA



ST. MARY'S SCHOOL  
1950  
CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE



ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL  
1937  
CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE



SAINT JOSEPH  
SCHOOL  
founded - 1969



ST. JOHN'S SCHOOL  
EST. 1966



ST. MARY'S SCHOOL  
CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE



SAINT DOMINIC  
CATHOLIC SCHOOL



SAINT JOHN NEUMANN  
CATHOLIC SCHOOL