

**At Home Learning:**

- Students of parents/guardians opting to have their child learn from home must fill out the Parish Hill Distance Learning Option Form found at [www.p Parish Hill.org](http://www.p Parish Hill.org).
- Students learning from home are eligible for all school related activities and sports provided there are not attendance issues.
- Students learning from home are expected to livestream with their teachers during regular scheduled class times (i.e. A Period 7:50-8:31 on Monday).
- Students learning from home are expected to login to classes at specified times and must be seen and heard in order to be marked present.

**Attendance:**

- The regular attendance policy will remain in effect for students learning in person at Parish Hill and for students opting to learn from home.

**Buses:**

- Students will be required to wear masks on buses at all times, and will be expected to maintain maximum social distancing following state guideline and to the greatest possible.
- Student release from the bus to school will take place in intervals in order to observe social distancing while entering the building.
- At 2:25pm, students will be dismissed from school in a staggered manner in order to facilitate social distancing.

**Parent Pickup/Drop-off:**

- Parent pickup/drop-off will be in the regular location by the flagpole.
- For the safety of our students, please do not pickup/drop off students in the bus circle.

**Health Guidelines:**

- Families must do a morning assessment of their child prior to coming to school. If any COVID symptoms are present, do not send your child to school. Please see: "Daily Screening Protocols for Home" on our webpage under Health Services.
- Hand sanitizing stations will be located throughout the building including in all classrooms. Frequent hand-washing opportunities will be available throughout the day.
- Proper cough/sneezing etiquette will be practiced and signs throughout the building with reminders are posted.
- Any child that presents with COVID symptoms or any illness will be assessed by the nurse immediately. Any student presenting with COVID-19 symptoms will be placed in a designated isolation area until their parent/guardian picks them up. Protocols have been put in place through the State Department of Education for scenarios relating to COVID-19 signs/symptoms. Please see: Interim Guidance for Responding to COVID-19 Scenarios in Connecticut School Districts on the Connecticut State Department of Education website.
- Anyone testing positive for COVID will be contacted

# THE PARISH HILL Parent/Student Handbook Covid-19 Addendum For **2020 - 2021**



This brochure addresses new protocols and/or changes to the Parish Hill Parent-Student Handbook due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Please note: These protocols are subject to change as we receive directives/updates from the CDC, CSDE, and/or the state and local Departments of Health.

Please call us at 860-455-9584 if you have any questions or concerns.

In order to accommodate students and staff entering Parish Hill, the following protocols and guidelines have been established for the safety of all. These protocols and guidelines are in effect for the duration of the Covid-19 pandemic and are in addition to, or in place of, similar protocols and guidelines as found in the 2020-2021 Parent-Student Handbook.

**Entering/Exiting:**

- All 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students will enter the building in the morning using the front gymnasium entrance.
- All high school students will enter the building in the morning using the cafeteria entrance.
- At 2:25pm, students will be dismissed from school in a staggered manner in order to facilitate social distancing.
- PLEASE NOTE: In an attempt to limit the number of people in the building, we respectfully ask all Parents/Guardians/Visitors to call the main office to set up a time to enter the building. If in an emergency situation, someone will meet you outside to address your concern.

**General Guidelines:**

- Everyone entering the building must wear a face mask that covers the nose and mouth. Masks with vents are **not** permissible.
- Extra masks are available if one breaks, or becomes unusable, or is forgotten.
- Regular outdoor mask breaks will be provided. Masks are optional only during outdoor PE, outdoor lunch and outdoor classes with social distancing strictly enforced.
- At any time, students may take a supervised mask break outdoors as needed.
- Everyone in the building will be socially distanced at 6 feet or more following state guidance and/or to the greatest extent possible.
- Student lockers will not be used. Instead, book bags will be allowed for students to carry books, materials, Chromebooks etc.

- Suggested Book Bag Supplies: Hand sanitizer, extra masks in a re-sealable baggie, tissues, non-latex gloves, pens, pencils, calculator, small mat to sit on when outside, cell phones, Chrome Books, refillable water container

Note: All cell phones shall be off and kept in book bags at all times **except** before school, at lunch, and after regular school hours.

- Inappropriate cell phone use (**accessing inappropriate material, taking of and/or posting photos or videos on social media**), will result in disciplinary consequences.
- Locker rooms will be closed. Students taking PE are encouraged wear comfortable clothes and sneakers on PE days, or carry a pair of sneakers in their book bags.
- All ventilation systems will be running fulltime and extra ventilation fans have been added throughout the building.
- Increased regular sanitation of high touch areas and lavatories.
- Single file, one-sided traffic in the hallways with no stopping
- Emphasis on Social Emotional Learning, both in classrooms and during advisory period.

**Cafeteria:**

- An extra lunch wave has been added to have fewer students in the cafeteria.
- Tables have been removed from the cafeteria and replaced with individual desks.
- Students are allowed to eat in the two main lobbies of the school.
- There will be **NO** community microwaves to heat food.
- Single use eating utensils for school provided lunch.
- Student lunch codes given at points of sale.