



Saint Anthony's High School

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Saint Anthony's FAQs for Re-Opening 2020

Academic Questions

What are the first days of school?

Senior Orientation - Tuesday, September 8, 2020

Junior Orientation - Wednesday, September 9, 2020

Sophomore Orientation - Thursday, September 10, 2020

Freshman Orientation - Friday, September 11, 2020

First Day of School for All Grades - Monday, September 14, 2020

Sweater vests are required for all students on their respective Orientation Day.

How do remote students participate in orientation?

The Administrative Presentations and other important information will be posted to the website. Any necessary materials that need to be picked up, we will communicate with you.

Do we need to pick up textbooks from BOCES or the public school district even with iPads?

Yes.

Will the students change classes or teachers come to them?

Students will change classes.

How will physical education work online?

The St. Anthony's Phys. Ed. Department has been working with our Athletic Director, Mr. Minucci, to map out curriculum for the year that will include independent exercise via an app; classroom content; and elements of in-person phys. Ed.

Will physical education classes change to gym uniforms?

No. Physical Education will be a seminar double period. Unfortunately, bowling will not be available this year. Athletic attire is not permitted.



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How will Chorus class be conducted? And the Concerts?

**Chorus will take place in the Auditorium in social distanced standing positions.
Masks will be required for singing. A concert schedule is still being constructed.**

For IEP students in *Campus III*, what additional resources will Saint Anthony's provide to ensure students stay on track?

St. Anthony's Guidance and Student Services will be available to students in Campus III. Those students can make appointments for virtual conferences with either their Guidance Counselor or any member of our student service staff.

Will students be required to perform community service hours?

No. The community service requirement is waived this year.

Will extra help take place?

Yes, we are asking teachers to provide extra help on Zoom according to availability.

Will the students be using textbooks or iPads?

Students will use both depending on the class and teacher.

How will the iPads be used?

They can take notes on the iPad. Some classes will require notebooks. Some textbooks will be on the iPads. The iPad is a tool in the arsenal for teachers and students in learning.

Can students use a stylus to take notes on their iPads?

Yes.

Will there be classes on Fridays?

Yes.

Will there be guidance?

Yes.



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Will guidance services still be available outside of guidance classes?

Yes. Counselors, campus ministers, faculty and staff are available.

Will there be guidance for college admissions?

Yes, seniors will still have guidance in their class cycle. Guidance and the College Office will provide the latest information regarding SATs.

Will a student in *Campus III* be negatively affected for college admissions?

Families are welcome to contact the College Center to discuss this.

How are tests going to be fairly given to students in class versus remote learning?

An emphasis in the faculty professional development this summer has been on breaking down assessments to be smaller, more targeted, and given more frequently to help monitor learning.

Our faculty have reviewed multiple strategies to promote equity with students taking assessments both in class and from home, particularly in the areas of time constraints, shuffling of questions, asking higher order thinking questions, and creating assessments that focus on students creating content as opposed to regurgitating facts.

Is there a pre-determined required supply list?

Academic supply list will be provided by individual teachers. The recommended COVID supplies are sanitizer and antibacterial wipes.

What will happen with independent science research honors?

Science research will proceed as scheduled.

For students at home, will classes be live streamed following the bell schedule?

Yes.

How will you handle the student tutoring sessions?

The Library Staff is constructing a plan for virtual tutoring.



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How will Science Labs be completed if *Campus II* is in effect for the school?

The Science Dept. is working with Apple Education to fulfill lab requirements. The 1,200 minute lab requirement can be met through hands on lab experiences, virtual lab experiences, or a combination of both.

Safety Questions

Will SAHS require proof of a negative COVID test to return to school?

No.

What would make school go to total remote learning?

Mandate by the government or mandate by the Local Health Department.

How many uniform masks will each student receive? Is there an option to purchase extra school masks?

Two. Students may purchase additional masks in the General Office.

Will masks be provided for students who forget to bring them?

Students can purchase a replacement mask from the General Office for \$6

Please describe the Saint Anthony's Mask.

The Saint Anthony's Mask is polyester and cotton with adjustable elastic ear straps. They have the school seal on the front. They do not have a filter. Saint Anthony's masks are mandatory all day. Masks may only be taken off once seated in the student center or cafeteria. Students must wear SAHS masks. Students who chose not to wear the SAHS mask will choose *Campus III*. The Mask mandate will remain in place until deemed safe by New York State.

Can the Saint Anthony's mask be worn with a 2nd surgical mask / protective filter mask beneath it?

Yes.

Can a student wear a plastic face shield over their uniform mask?

Yes.



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If they take off their mask during lunch period, do they have to sit 6 feet away from other students while they eat?

Yes.

Will there be bag checks?

Bag checks will take place at random to ensure student safety.

What is the plan for positive COVID-19 cases?

Following the school guidance, we will contact the local Department of Health who will coordinate our response to positive cases including quarantine and possible closure. They will guide us for contacting those potential exposed. SAHS has hired Mr. Ed Modica to serve as the Coordinator of COVID Response. He will insure students are permitted to return following CDC guidance. The local Department of Health will guide SAHS in allowing students to return following a positive Case.

Will you inform the whole school for each COVID Case?

Yes. We will follow the guidance of the Local Health Department.

If a student has one symptom (i.e. sore throat), but no other symptoms (i.e. fever), are they supposed to stay home for the day?

Yes. In an abundance of caution, families should keep students and continue to self-evaluate to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

How will social distancing be maintained? How will class size be adjusted? Will desks be six feet apart?

We are aware that most classes will *not* be able to maintain social distancing which is why we require masks for all students and teachers. The guidelines state, “social distancing OR a mask”. Class sizes will remain the same.

Will desks be wiped down between every period? Will there be sneeze guards or plastic partitions at the student desks?

SAHS will provide teachers and classrooms with sanitizer spray and paper towels. Students are encouraged to bring their own Wipes. There will not be sneeze guards



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at individual desks.

Is SAHS using electrostatic sprayers for cleaning throughout the days?

Yes.

Will exchange students have to quarantine for 14 days after they arrive? Will the SA students have to quarantine with them?

Yes.

Blazers? They are not cleaned daily? Will you adjust their use?

Students/Families are responsible for maintaining the cleanliness of the blazer.

Many kids may be feeling anxious about school, how will Saint Anthony's address these issues?

Guidance counselors, school psychologist, social works, campus ministers, faculty and administrators are all here to help with student transition into high school.

In the event of a school fire false alarm, or other event requiring the evacuation of the school, how will you be handling any distancing and congregation issue?

In the event of any kind of emergency, the safe and rapid evacuation of the building takes precedence over social distancing.

If Saint Anthony's is *not* requiring a negative covid test after a student tested positive, will they still be allowed to attend classes in-person, increasing risk to others?

Regarding positive tests, the school will follow the directives of the local health department in determining student quarantine and return.

What would happen if a teacher gets sick? Are the kids in the class required to stay home for 2 weeks? Also, would the kids have a structure for keeping up with the work?

Teachers are instructed to remain 6 feet away from students and not maintain close proximity for more than five minutes, therefore mitigating the potential exposure. For any teacher absence, Saint Anthony's will provide substitutes. Please reference the Saint Anthony's Re-Opening Plan. Students will be able to monitor their assignments and requirements in Google Classroom.

Does St. Anthony's request a negative covid-19 test for *Campus I* students like other institutions?

No.



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Transportation Questions

Can you switch at anytime from *Campus II* to *Campus I* if you resolve the transportation issue?

Yes.

How will the parking lot be handled with more parents driving?

Saint Anthony's Security will supervise the parking lot in the morning and the evening as usual. We recommend parents to drop their students off in the front driveway of the school. At dismissal, Seniors will be given two extra minutes before the other students to exit the parking lot. Freshmen will have time to get to their buses with plenty of time.

If a student has the first two periods free or the last two periods free, may we drop off or pick up early so they don't have to sit in school?

Students may be dropped off late and picked up early with submission of an appropriate notification to the attendance office.

When Seniors have 1st period free or periods free at the end of the day, can they enter late and leave early?

Yes, after signing out in the Attendance Office. Seniors may go to their locker at their arrival time and departure time only!

I have a Senior and a Junior student. Can my junior be dismissed at the same time so they can leave the parking lot promptly?

No.

For the last three years, I have paid for private bussing. How does *Campus II* work with private bussing? How many days a week is a student allowed to learn remotely in *Campus II*?

Any arrangements with private bussing must be worked out between families and the bussing company. St. Anthony's will continue to offer a free shuttle for any students needing transportation to and from the LIRR at Huntington Station.



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Will SAHS provide buses to the Huntington LIRR? Will the students be socially-distanced on the buses transporting to the railroad?

Yes. Shuttle times for morning, afternoon and late afternoon will be determined in September.

How many buses will there be and will there be late buses? How is social distancing happening on buses?

Bussing and late bussing is determined by public school districts.

Can Juniors apply for driving?

In May 2021, after Seniors last day of classes.

Can a student do *Campus II* if they use the LIRR?

Yes

Athletic/Extra-curricular Questions

Is September 21 the start date for sports tryouts or is that the date for competitions?

September 21 is the start date for tryouts. At this time, sports are postponed until this date.

Will clubs and after school activities still be taking place?

Yes. Large student activities, for example Pep Rally, will be adjusted to follow State Guidance for gatherings.

Will there be some kind of event like Adventureland for Freshmen?

Our guidance department is working on a new event in lieu of Adventureland.

Is the Twilight Relay still scheduled for this Year?

No.

Has there been any updates on the trip to Italy in February for the Chorus?

At this time the trip is continuing as planned. We continue to remain in close contact



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with the travel agency ACIS and with our contacts in Italy. A decision will be made by November 1 regarding the trip.

How will Senior Year be made special since most events won't be taking place?

This may have to be a wait and see for now, the senior class has many opportunities to be leaders of the school and examples for the underclassmen. Once we are given the Go ahead and can return to a "normal situation, senior activities will continue as always.

What time would extracurricular activities start if a student needs to be remote?

2:45pm. Students who are remote and wish to come to campus for extra-curriculars must complete the COVID-19 Questionnaire that very day.

Which campuses can participate in extracurricular activities?

All three campuses can participate in extracurricular activities.

In *Campus II or III*, how are students able to attend extracurricular activities if they are not able to get to school or cannot attend school for health reasons?

The will be unable to participate.

Will the gym/fitness center be opened after school?

No.

What happens with Drivers Ed for those who were registered in Spring 2020? What is the plan for the Fall of 2020?

The State has not provide information to the Drivers' Ed Program at this time.

If sports are canceled in the Fall, will they still be able to hold practices?

We are awaiting further guidance from the State.

Re-Opening Questions

Has this opening plan been approved?

We have been told that if we had not heard from the Department of Health as of last week, that our plan is acceptable.



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How do families choose their *Campus*?

Complete the Google Form found under the red banner on the SAHS website.

What is the deadline to submit our Campus Choice?

Friday, August 21, 2020

If we choose *Campus III* for remote learning, do students need to come to Orientation?

Putting the sections at the top now! No. Orientation presentations will be videotaped and available online, including remote protocols.

Will students be able to purchase necessary books and supplies on orientation day?

Yes.

What school supplies are needed?

This will be reviewed by individual teachers in the first few days of school.

Campus Questions

Can we choose *Campus II* even if there is no transportation issue? How do we alert the school?

Can we choose *Campus II* based on comfort level?

Yes. Contact the Attendance Office.

If I choose *Campus I* for my children, will SAHS separate classrooms from the students in *Campus II*?

No, Campus II, III, and IV students will be given regular schedules in Infinite Campus, so their space is accounted for in class upon their return to campus.

If your child is in *Campus I* stays home sick, can they log on for a live Zoom class?

Yes



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Where will *Campus II* students be when they come to school? Will they be in the same classrooms as *Campus I*? If so, will this eliminate social distancing?

Students maintain the same teacher and classroom throughout the year, regardless of the Campus they choose. We are aware that most classes will *not* be able to maintain social distancing which is why we require masks for all students and teachers. The guidelines state, “social distancing OR a mask”. Class sizes will remain the same as normal.

How will families be able to change from *Campus* to *Campus*? How often? Can they change back and forth if they fear positive exposure?

Campus changes can be made via the Attendance Office. Families are welcome to make changes between campuses. Campus changes will take 24 hours. St. Anthony's Administration also reserves the right to move students into Campus III if so instructed by local health authorities.

Will international students be offered remote classes?

Yes. That is *Campus IV*.

If a parent is medically high-risk, which campus should a student choose?

Campus III

Is there a uniform policy for remote students in Campus II or III

Yes. All students must wear the uniform in full.

Logistical Questions

What is the earliest time students may enter the buildings? Where would they go?

6:00 AM. To the designated areas in the Student Center or the Cafeteria.

Can students use their backpack throughout the day? Is there a size limit for the backpack?

Yes they can. There is no size limit. Students should anticipate carrying some books. The iPads will hold most resources for the classrooms.



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How many people will be in the hallway at a time? Will SAHS stagger students leaving classes to avoid congestion?

Students will be released from classes in a staggered schedule to avoid overcrowding in the hallways and staircases. We have also increased the passing time to promote social distancing and separation.

How will students get from the student center to the 3rd Floor with one way hallways?

We have extended the passing time to ten minutes.

Are lockers dispersed throughout the building?

Yes. Different grades are on different floors. Students are not permitted to loiter at lockers.

Will the senior courtyard be open during free periods?

No.

Is there a possibility for students to be able to use the library to study during free periods?

Yes.

Can students participate remotely on a particular day they have a stomach ache or migraine?

Yes.

Will a student be marked absent if they are participating online?

No.

Can the students use Wi-Fi?

Yes. The iPads are automatically connected.

If you have to leave early from school, how will that be handled?

Students may leave early following the attendance policies in the SAHS Handbook.



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What will be the process for using bathrooms?

Bathrooms will be supervised for overcrowding. Only three people will be permitted at a time. Bathrooms are open between classes.

Will the cafeteria be open and library be open?

Yes. Food can be purchased at any time from 6:00 AM - 5:30 PM.

Can lunch be purchased throughout the day or only at certain times?

Food will be available for purchase throughout the day, and food options will be the same in the Student Center (Frosh/Soph) as the Cafeteria (Juniors/Seniors)

Will you be able to carry lunch in your backpack?

Yes. Students with no frees will be dismissed early from Fine Arts, Labs and Phys Ed classes to go to the cafeteria to eat. Students will not be able to eat during class.

Can students eat in class?

No. Students with no frees will be dismissed early from Fine Arts, Labs and Phys Ed classes to go to the cafeteria to eat. Students will not be able to eat during class.

When will Freshmen be able to socialize?

During free periods in the Student Center.

Can I have lunch with my Freshman sister if we have free period together?

No.

Will the senior courtyard be open during free periods?

No.

Can students pair an Apple Pen and Air Pod with their iPad?

Yes.

How will frees work with online classes?

Students are permitted free periods following their regular schedule.