



Dear BCACS Family:

As Spring Break approaches, some families may have plans to travel. This is completely at each family's discretion; however we also want to make sure that you are informed of the CDC's latest travel guidelines, especially in regards to how it impacts our school community.

We continue to look to these experts to ensure our students and staff remain healthy. In recent communication with the Calhoun County Health Department regarding spring break, we were provided the following link to the current CDC guidelines, which were updated on February 16, 2021: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/travel-during-covid19.html>

Based on these guidelines and the information provided below, we respectfully request that you follow these recommendations. While it may not be the most convenient, these recommendations will keep everyone safe and healthy. With the expectation that families will follow these guidelines, all Preschool through twelfth grade classes will resume **in-person** learning following Spring Break on April 12, 2021.

CDC (Center for Disease Control and Prevention) Travel Guidelines:

Before Your Travel

If you are traveling, get tested with a [viral test](#) 1-3 days before your trip. Make sure you have the results of your negative test before you travel. Keep a copy of your results with you during travel; you might be asked for them.

After You Travel

*You may have been exposed to COVID-19 on your travels. You may feel well and not have any symptoms, but you can still spread the virus to others. **You and your travel companions (including [children](#)) may pose a risk to your family, friends, and community after your travel.***

Get Tested and Stay Home After Travel

*[Get tested](#) with a [viral test](#) 3-5 days after travel **AND** stay home and self-quarantine for a full 7 days after travel. Even if you test negative, stay home and self-quarantine for the full 7 days. If your test is positive, [isolate](#) yourself to protect others from getting infected. If you don't get tested, stay home and self-quarantine for 10 days after travel. Avoid being around people who are at [increased risk for severe illness](#) for 14 days, whether you get tested or not.*

It is important to note that these guidelines are not specifically for air travel. When reviewing the CDC website you will find travel information pertaining to air, bus/train, and car. If you are planning on traveling or being in larger groups of people during spring break, please take time to review the CDC site and consider following the protocols provided.

As you probably are aware, due to a few COVID cases in our schools, we recently had to implement week-long virtual learning for one elementary class, as well as the middle school and high school. Unfortunately it doesn't take much to force us to move to virtual learning. We need everyone to be aware of this and continue to work together to keep our schools safe.

Thank you for being a part of our BCACS family and thanks in advance for your help.

Sincerely,
School Advisory Board
Battle Creek Area Catholic Schools

COVID-19: TESTING BEFORE TRAVEL

Get tested **no more than 3 days before** you travel.

Postpone travel if you are waiting for test results.

Watch for symptoms of COVID-19.

If you test **NEGATIVE**...



Keep a copy of your test results with you during travel



Take precautions to protect yourself and others from getting COVID-19

If you test **POSITIVE** or develop symptoms of COVID-19...



Do NOT travel



Immediately isolate yourself



Follow public health recommendations

If you fly to the US from a foreign country, you **must** provide a negative COVID-19 test result or documentation of recovery from COVID-19 before boarding your flight.



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www.cdc.gov/covid19travel

COVID-19: TESTING AFTER TRAVEL

Get tested **3-5 days after** you travel.

If you test **NEGATIVE**...

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Stay home for 7 days and self-quarantine



Watch for symptoms of COVID-19



Take precautions to protect others

If you test **POSITIVE** or develop symptoms of COVID-19...



Do NOT travel



Immediately isolate yourself



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If you don't get tested...

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