Crisis Management Plan Benton Academy 2021-2022

We are planning on returning to school on Monday, August 9th with a few changes in our daily routine as we work to keep all of our students, faculty, and BA family safe from the latest round of Covid-19. We will, however, ask that each family notify the school immediately if someone has contracted the virus. We will not investigate rumors of someone being sick. Please be diligent in contacting the school as quickly as possible in order for us to make any adjustments and accommodations.

The following plans will be followed by Benton Academy:

- Masks are optional on campus for students, faculty, and visitors.
- If a student shows any symptoms, he/she will need to quarantine until seen by a physician or gets a negative Covid-19 test. Please monitor students throughout the school year for symptoms of the virus.
- If a student, staff member, or family member is tested positive for the coronavirus, the student(s) or staff member must quarantine a minimum of 10 days and be symptom free on return. All classwork will be given on our Canvas software.
- All visitors must check in through the high school office. No visitors will be allowed in the other buildings. Please do not exit your vehicle during carpool times.
- All water fountains will be available for use. Students will be allowed to bring water containers for use in the classroom.
- Hand sanitizing stands will remain for use in every classroom plus the gym and cafeteria on campus.
- Lunches will be boxed up for students and staff to speed the process of getting lunch and minimize contact throughout the cafeteria.

We will continue to monitor this situation through the CDC, MS. State Department of Health, and the MAIS and make any changes that may be necessary. This situation, like last year, is still fluid and may change once the school year begins. Please be patient and safe as we go through this together.