The St. Raphael School Home & School Association seeks to promote the health and safety of all SRS community members. In an effort to facilitate activity/event planning that reinforces that goal, we ask that all HSA activities taking place at St. Raphael School adhere to the guidelines listed below until further notice. If, as SRS Angels, we can be each other’s “Guardian Angels,” we will have a successful (and fun!) school year!

✓ Events must adhere to all Maryland and Montgomery County rules, as well as safety guidelines issued by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control, including:
  o Rules relating to the mandatory use of face coverings (indoors and outdoors).
  o The adoption of 6 foot social distancing practices.
  o Limitations on the size of social/recreational gatherings (currently < 50 people).
  o Food service regulations (e.g. no food buffets permitted).

✓ Events must adhere to the following St. Raphael School guidelines:
  o Only outdoor events until further notice.
  o If more stringent than state and local rules, school policies regarding the use of face masks should be followed.
  o Access to the school building is restricted until further notice. Any building access that is needed by event participants or volunteers must be pre-approved by Teri Dwyer.
  o Events must be structured in a manner that would allow for contact tracing. Tools such as seating charts and RSVP lists should be used and made available to school staff.
  o Event planning meetings should be conducted virtually to the greatest extent possible and event logistics clearly communicated to participants in advance.
  o All event volunteers must wear face coverings and undergo fever/symptom monitoring immediately prior to the event.
  o Floor markings should be used to promote physical distancing.
  o All food offerings must be commercially catered (no homemade food items allowed).
  o Food consumption discouraged or allowed only in designated areas.
  o Hand sanitizer must be made available for all event volunteers and participants.
  o The sharing of equipment/supplies should be minimized.

To the extent events taking place at third-party locations cannot accommodate these recommendations due to venue requests/requirements, differences should be discussed with Teri Dwyer or the HSA in advance of the event.

(As of 8/26/2020)