

St. JOSEPH'S REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL

2019 National Blue Ribbon School for Academic Excellence

Dr. Janine Bertolotti, Principal

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Dear parent(s)/guardian(s),

Our mission at St. Joseph's Regional Catholic School has always been centered on a strong partnership with parents in forming the whole child in the Catholic Christian faith. This mission is even more critical at this time and requires an even greater partnership. A partnership in which mutual respect for the different realities of our children, families, and staff is paramount as we embark on the 2020 – 2021 school year.

Therefore, recognizing that this pandemic has affected our families and children to varying degrees and honoring our commitment to supporting all our families even more now than ever, various stakeholders worked collaboratively during June and July to explore the best ways to support our children, families, and staff safely. Through the exceptional dedication of our teachers and staff as well as the strong leadership of Father Andrew, Father Walter, and Father Tim, we are pleased to say that at this time, our delivery of instruction during the first quarter of the 2020 – 2021 school year will be based on parent choice.

Consequently, parents will have the flexibility of making first quarter decisions for their child(ren) by selecting one of our three options: Full-distance learning (which we encourage for students who are or have high-risk family members), hybrid learning (where students attend in-person on Mondays and Tuesdays and online Wednesdays – Fridays), and five days of in-person instruction. For all three models, safeguards will be implemented to ensure that students can learn and grow in a safe instructional environment. More information on each option and our guiding principles and policies is attached for your convenience.

We are thankful for the support of all our families, faculty and staff, priests, and the community as we embark on an exciting 2020 – 2021 school year. More than ever, we are in this together, one community united in God.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or comments. Please enjoy the remainder of your summer, and we look forward to partnering with you in the future.

In Christ,
Dr. Janine Bertolotti,
Principal