



SAINT JAMES

CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL

Update #2

O, Mary, Queen of Peace – pray for us!

Dear Parents,

After further discussions with local pastors and principals along with updated information from the CDC, the following steps are being implemented to ensure the health and well-being of our children and the quality of their continued education:

1. School is open Wednesday, March 18, as a regular full day to prepare students for distance learning and to collect books and needed materials for home assignments.
2. Directions for distance learning will be emailed to you. Teachers will be in direct communication on a daily basis with students. Scheduled times for classes will be posted or emailed.
3. It is anticipated that school will reopen on Monday, April 6. This date will be re-examined as needed due to the rapidly changing recommendations and precedents set forward by the local and federal authorities.
4. Easter break will be honored at its scheduled time.

The first week of distance learning will be challenging. Time is needed for our teachers to perfect their presentations using the Microsoft Teams platform and for you to become adjusted to the online learning experience. According to the Diocesan mandates the education process must occur at home or the students will be required to attend school during the months of June and July, resulting in a drastically shortened summer break. Any support that you can offer your child at this time will be imperative to the success of this process.

Those parents who choose not to send their child on Wednesday, March 18, are required to pick up the essential material between 3:00pm – 5:00pm. Parents will not be allowed in the classroom during the school day.

Thank you for your understanding during these most demanding times. As never before we need to band together to support one another in prayer and patience.

Blessings,

Sister Lisa, IHM