



St. Anthony School

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Developing a Child's Mind, Body, & Soul

SA Parents & Families,

I have enjoyed seeing some of you today as you have been stopping by to drop off things and pickup personal items from desks/lockers. It has also been nice speaking with some of you about the plans for the upcoming school year. I feel like I need to make sure that everyone is clear about how our school will function going forward so I am posting the same message that I sent out in the last newsletter.

St. Anthony School will begin classes on Monday, Aug. 17th. Students will be able to attend class in-person (assuming the Governor allows it) or through virtual learning that will be customized based on student/family needs.

We are very excited to get back-to-school! We are purposefully planning for a new school year where we adapt and innovate to overcome obstacles that have been presented by the coronavirus. We will provide meaningful learning opportunities despite the disruptions we have encountered. **Our school is small and nimble enough to customize education for each and every student.** We want all members of our community to be safe, healthy, and supported. We will have more detailed information about virtual options at the end of July.

Our school office has been working diligently this summer with local school districts to make sure that we receive our fair share of CARES Act money to help with costs of our coronavirus response. These funds are enabling us to purchase sanitizing equipment & supplies for improved cleaning procedures, technology equipment for distance learning, and other items that will help us to provide the best common-sense approach to our Covid-19 response and mitigation. We will have more specific information about this in our next communication at the end of July.

We are working on school procedures for the school year that will detail the best common-sense approach during the pandemic. We ask that everyone continue to be flexible and understanding as we persevere with the obstacles at hand. We will be prepared for any future mandates and keep our entire school community apprised of the situation.

Pope Francis said, "An education in the fullness of humanity should be the defining feature of Catholic schools." At St. Anthony's we will continue to develop a child's mind, body, and soul by nurturing a personal relationship with Jesus Christ who is the cornerstone of our lessons and our lives.

God Bless you and your families,

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Ad majorem Dei gloriam