

Dear Catholic School Family Members,

We pray that this letter finds you and your family doing well. The health and safety of all members of our Catholic school communities is our highest priority. During this time of uncertainty due to coronavirus, maintaining social distancing is necessary to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and to protect those we are privileged to serve.

Given the direction from the State Superintendent and Governor Hogan this morning to the state's public schools, the Archdiocese will conform to the State's guidance and continue the closure of our schools through Friday, April 24, 2020. Our Spring break, which is scheduled to begin on Monday, April 6th, and run through Wednesday, April 15th, will continue as planned.

The Catholic schools of the Archdiocese of Baltimore have implemented remote learning for all students to keep them engaged and challenged academically. As we continue to navigate these uncharted waters presented during this health emergency, we are grateful for the support of our parents and the commitment of our teachers and content area experts for their dedication to ensure continued learning for our students.

We are committed to completing the 2019-2020 school year, even if we are not able to be physically together. We understand the challenges that come with remote learning. Our entire team is working diligently and creatively to provide academic resources and guidance to meet the academic needs of all students.

We ask that you join the faithful in the Archdiocese of Baltimore by praying for all those who have been stricken by COVID-19 and for a swift conclusion to this health crisis.

Stay safe and connected with each other and with Christ. There is comfort in knowing that we are working through this together.

Yours in Service to the Mission of Jesus,

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