



Cardinal Stritch

Catholic High School & Academy

March 22, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardians,

By now, you have heard about this afternoon's communication from Governor DeWine and the Ohio Department of Health, mandating a statewide stay-at-home order beginning Monday, March 23, 2020, at 11:59 pm.

This order will stay in effect until April 6, 2020, at which time the government will reassess the situation. To ensure that all of our Cardinal Stritch staff and families have the opportunity to remain healthy, our last day for building hours will be **tomorrow, Monday, March 23, 2020, from 8:00 - 11:00 am**. If you need to retrieve student work, turn in completed student work, and/or drop off EdChoice information, or any other important documents, please do so during these hours.

We know that this is a very difficult time for all of you. Our teachers are distributing school work to your students daily through Google Classroom, school email, ClassDojo, Shutterfly, and other portals. We are trying to maintain as much routine and normalcy as we can for our Cardinals.

Grades 5-12

- We expect students to meet deadlines and to complete school work during school hours, just as if they were in the classroom. **We are proud of our high academic standards at Cardinal Stritch, so grades for assignments still count toward successful course completion and credit.** Help students to the best of your ability and continue to have them meet deadlines. Remember that teachers are available to answer emails and questions. Teachers are “live” on their Google Classroom portals and email during their scheduled office hours. Please communicate with your child’s teachers directly if you have any questions or concerns.
- If students have an unusable Chromebook, please contact the Technology Department via email at techsupport@cardinalstritch.org. Loaner devices are still available. The pickup/swap arrangements are handled on a case by case basis.

Preschool - Grade 4

- Teachers will send work through email that you can print. They will also send electronic resources that students can use to practice skills. This plan is constantly evolving and changing. Please watch your email, the school website, and social media for new information. Please communicate with your child’s teachers directly if you have questions.

Today, Governor DeWine articulated that he will ask the General Assembly in its meeting tomorrow to forgo Spring standardized testing for the 2019-2020 school year. We anticipate further instructions and confirmation from the Ohio Department of Education regarding our next steps with Spring standardized testing.

As of today, the Traditional EdChoice window will open on April 1, 2020. If you have not given us your renewal information (income verification form if needed) along with your utility bill, please send this to Liz Pelz as soon as possible via email at lpelz@cardinalstritch.org. If you take pictures of this information to send it, make sure that it is a clear picture with all important information visible. If we need any more information for your family to reapply for the EdChoice Scholarship, we will contact you. **If we do not have the correct information, you could lose the EdChoice Scholarship for the 2020-2021 school year.** A limited amount of funds are available for students in the state of Ohio. Also, there is a shortened application window this year, so you **MUST** meet all of the deadlines.

We will continue to update you as we receive more information. Please check your email and cardinalstritch.org often! Please know of our continued love and prayers for you and your families.

In Christ,



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President/Head of School



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