



# CHRIST THE KING SCHOOL

Dear CK families,

As we close school for the following week, we are reminded of the importance of acting as compassionate global citizens in exercising caution to minimize the spread of the virus.

*\*credit to Mother McAuley High School for that phrasing*

At CK, we recognize that learning can still happen even when students and teachers are not in the same location. eLearning/Remote Learning days encourage student growth in the areas of self-sufficiency, adaptability and perseverance, and encourages students to take responsibility for their own learning while enforcing good habits geared toward future learning expectations (including high school and beyond). As you know from the start of the year and in our handbook, CK was approved by the Archdiocese to implement eLearning if needed for an emergency. Of course, we imagined these for snow days, and never would have imagined that this is how we would launch eLearning for the first time! Over the past few days, our teachers have been refining those plans to include current content and topics. As we make this transition, please be aware of the following:

- Teachers will either post assignments on their Google Classroom pages (grades that already use these pages) OR email parents by 8:30 a.m. each day. Assignments will be given with specific directions.
- Teachers will be available via email each weekday from 8:30am-12:00pm, and will check/answer emails periodically throughout the afternoon.
- Some assignments may be able to be submitted via Google Classroom; others may ask you to take a picture and email; the remaining will be submitted upon return. This will all be specified by teachers.
- Deadlines will be shared for each assignment that requires submission electronically. Some will have longer timelines than others. Those that are to be turned in upon return will state that.

- We will share our first assignments on Monday, though because Monday was a scheduled day off for students already, those assignments will not be due by the end of the day Monday. That way, those that would like to get started on Monday may do so.
- Grades will continue to be updated weekly on Power School.
- Mrs. Kowalski will be available via email parents/students with ICEPs have questions.

ALL extracurricular activities have been canceled beginning today and continuing throughout the closure. Remember that the goal is to limit public exposure, so we strongly advise and encourage students to stay home, though it will be tempting to be around others. The way to make this time valuable is to follow the recommendations so we can stay ahead of the spread! We will monitor the recommendations provided by our public health authorities and make subsequent decisions for future dates.

I also wanted to share some information given to me by fellow parents. Below are two excellent resources that were shared with me from a parent who works for Homeland Security. Please know these are being shared not to incite panic, but rather to ensure that all of our families have information to prepare themselves as the COVID-19 spreads.

<https://www.ready.gov/pandemic>

<https://www.chicago.gov/city/en/sites/gearupgetready/home/pandemic-influenza.html>

Also, a parent who works at Lurie Children's Hospital shared the following from the leadership there:

"- If your child has had contact with someone who has been confirmed to have COVID-19 and has symptoms consistent with COVID-19 (fever, coughing, and shortness of breath or difficulty breathing), please call CDPH immediately (within 3 hours) by calling 312-746-SICK (7425) Monday through Friday during business hours or 311 during evenings, weekends, and holidays

- In Illinois but outside of Chicago, please contact your local health department or the Illinois Department of Public Health coronavirus hotline at 1-800-889-3931

They should not contact their doctor because they will refer them to CDPH.

While the building will be closed next week, our building will undergo another deep sanitizing. I will remain accessible via email and will be more than happy to answer questions or address concerns you may have. Thank you for your continued support and

we pray for health for CK families, our community, nation and world.  
#stayaheadofthespread

Stay healthy!