



Cardinal Stritch

Catholic High School & Academy

March 12, 2020

Dear Families and Employees of Cardinal Stritch,

Today, Governor Mike DeWine addressed the State in a press conference on the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic and outlined a series of significant measures to minimize the spread of the disease. One of these measures is the closing of all schools grades Preschool-12 for three weeks beginning Monday, March 16. After three weeks the situation will be reevaluated.

Over the course of the next couple of days, the Administrative team will be evaluating the structure of how we will proceed academically. On Friday, March 13, all students will bring home any materials that they may need to complete any coursework from home.

All athletic games, meets, practices, and all extracurricular events are canceled during this time. Other events on our school calendar are being reviewed. Please continue to check the website for updated information about events.

It is important to understand that we all play a role in reducing the likelihood of a novel coronavirus outbreak in our school community. Here are some prevention items provided by the CDC.

Remember to practice good habits, including:

- Stay home when you are sick. (must be free of fever and vomiting for 24 hours without the use of medication)
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash and wash your hands.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.

As school leaders, we continue to focus on our mission to provide students and families with a high-quality educational experience while cooperating with the recommendations and directives from our state leaders and public health officials. We will make the most informed decisions for our Cardinal Family. There is no doubt that there will be future communications about this topic.

Please know of our support and care for your families.

In Christ,

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