

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Upon further reflection, we have refined the adjustments to our lunch periods during this time when large gatherings are restricted. Grades 2, 4, 5, 8, and K will eat in the lunch room, while grades 1, 3, 6, and 7 will eat in their classrooms. Desks will be cleaned after lunch in classrooms. This will better protect our students with peanut allergies, while also eliminating large gatherings. As a reminder, with the cancellation of field trips, all grade levels who did not order lunches on field trip days will now need to bring a lunch from home on these days.

With the health and safety of our student athletes a priority, effective today, all athletic practices will be cancelled until further notice. There will be no study hall after school for the lacrosse team, so please make appropriate alternate arrangements. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause. Additionally, we are suspending all school tours and shadow days until further notice. There will be a One Call Now call sent this afternoon asking about families who may need assistance with technology at home in the event of a school closure. Please listen for this call and respond accordingly if this applies to your family.

Additionally, just as we are planning for a potential closure, we also strongly encourage you to begin planning now for this possibility and child care issues it may present for your family. We realize that an extended school closure will cause hardships for all of us, but we hope that by beginning to plan and prepare in advance, we can minimize some of the impact.

As you know, due to the recommendation by Governor DeWine that we avoid large gatherings, Celebration has been cancelled for this Saturday, March 14. **Celebration will be postponed until Saturday, May 16 at 6:00 pm.** Please bear with us as we make the necessary arrangements to move an event of this size. We really hope that you are still able to attend this amazing event that we have planned to help support our school. We will be reaching out soon to those who have purchased tickets to confirm your availability. In the meantime, if you have any questions, please contact PA President Brittany Root at [Root\\_brittany@hotmail.com](mailto:Root_brittany@hotmail.com) or the Celebration email at [Celebration@st-hilary.org](mailto:Celebration@st-hilary.org). Thank you and we look forward to seeing everyone on May 16.

Finally, we appreciate your patience as we work through the myriad of details that must be considered in restructuring our school operations in light of this evolving situation. We will continue to update you as soon as any information changes, and ask that you please understand that we may not be immediately able to respond to individual calls or emails with questions about topics that have already been addressed in our mass communications. Your children are our priority, and we are attempting as best we can to maintain a calm, normal environment for them. If you have a question about a concern related to the immediate COVID-19 situation that has not been covered in our communications, please email Mrs. Woodman, Mrs. Alexander and Mrs. Sinopoli

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