

Dear St. Hilary School Families,

Please click [here](#) for a video message from Mrs. Woodman. Below is a recap of some of the details in her message.

Today, Governor DeWine extended the state-mandated closure of schools through Friday, May 1. Based on what Governor DeWine has said over the past several weeks, closure for the remainder of the school year is also very likely, but he clarified today that that decision will be re-evaluated closer to May 1. With this in mind, we are planning and preparing for the continuation and completion of student learning, as well as other details to be handled when the school year closes. For the short term, we are focusing on planning for instruction through May 1.

When schools initially closed earlier this month, we proactively extended our closure through the end of our spring break on April 17, and had planned to use calamity days to cover April 6-9, the four days between the state-mandated closure and our spring break. With the state-mandated closure of schools through May 1, we will not need to use calamity days to cover this period. Instead, the plan will be to continue instruction April 6-8 as we have been, have a live streamed Holy Thursday Prayer Service on April 9 (details to be announced), and have our spring break as scheduled from April 10-17. Spring break will not be an instructional period. Instruction will resume on April 20 and will continue through May 1, following the methods we have been using since March 16.

Because Hot Lunch ordering for the remainder of the school year was scheduled to take place between April 1 and April 10, with our return to school after May 1 uncertain at this time, we have made the decision to close the Hot Lunch program for the rest of the school year. In the event we do return to school in May, all students would need to bring lunches from home for whatever time remains. We also want to share with you that, as of today, CYO has officially cancelled the spring sports season.

We will be able to plan more definitively for the remainder of the school year once we know Governor DeWine's plans beyond May 1. We also know that many of our special year-end events and traditions are likely to be impacted by the probable extended closure of school, and we hope to salvage what we can to the extent we are able to do so; however, just as all of you are, we are taking things day by day as there are many unknowns in what lies ahead for all of us in the coming months. We will continue to keep you updated as we learn more and as our planning evolves. Thank you for your continued patience and support during this unprecedented time for all of us.

We want to remind you that third quarter report cards can be viewed on Gradelink tomorrow, and that we are now in the fourth quarter. Finally, we would like to share a [student-created video](#) we hope will bring some smiles to your homes.

Please join us in continuing to pray for the health and safety of all affected by this global health crisis.