



Distance Learning Option

During these uncertain times, parents may choose the option of Distance Learning for their child. Our staff is fully committed and prepared to provide instruction online which will meet the high standards of a St. Hilary education.

- To hear and see first-hand the lessons being taught, teachers will use iPads with Zoom coinciding with Google Sites / Classroom. Students who choose the distance learning option will be able to interact with their teachers in real time.
- All teachers will utilize a Bluetooth speaker to ensure that the students joining from home will hear the lesson clearly.
- Sixth through eighth grade students will receive 1:1 Chromebooks and cases. Third through fifth grade students will receive Chromebooks from their respective grade level's Chromebook Cart. *Note: Currently only fifth, seventh, and eighth grade students will receive their Chromebooks at this time due to a delay in Chromebook delivery. We will do our best to meet the technology needs of each individual distance learner but we strongly encourage every family to be prepared to use their own device and printer.
- Curriculum will be rigorous and engaging, the trademarks of a St. Hilary education. As assessments are ongoing, lessons will be adjusted to meet the needs of our learners.
- Certain specials classes will be part of the weekly plan, and while the same curriculum will be covered, a parallel activity may be offered to the distance learning student.
- Parents will receive a schedule with specific times for direct instruction lessons that also include a recurring zoom link.
- Students in grades K-2 will be live on Zoom with their class approximately 3 hours per day.
- Students in grades 3-4 will be live on Zoom with their class approximately 4 hours per day.
- Students in grades 5-8 will be following their own individual schedules and will be on Zoom approximately 5 hours per day.
- Some pre-recorded lessons may be available to all students to access for review of concepts.
- Dedicated scheduled times will be available for parents/students to contact teachers for clarification of material.
- Expectations for a distance learning student will be similar to those of a child in the classroom. School uniforms, punctuality, a dedicated workspace free from distraction, and necessary supplies are paramount to creating a productive learning environment.
- Distance learning students will be active participants in lessons which focus on communication, cooperation and social emotional growth.
- Distance learning students will be active participants during live session. Students will be able to ask questions and will be expected to fully participate in discussions etc. as if they were a part of the in-person classroom.
- Families electing to participate in distance learning may pick up instructional materials during Back to School Night on August 20th between 5-8 pm. If you need to pick up materials, please park in the back