



QUEEN OF THE ROSARY
CATHOLIC SCHOOL



From the Desk of the Principal
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Parent(s):

The good news is that our parking lot crew has fine-tuned our arrival and dismissal. However, we seem to have families who are not pulling into the lot or on Victoria Ln. until after the 7:55 a.m. bell. Please make every effort to get your child/ren here on time. Our goal is to have everyone in the building and in their classrooms by 8:00 a.m. Our doors open at 7:45 a.m., and students are to be here by 7:55 a.m. If you arrive after 7:55 a.m., and there is not a teacher/staff member at the door, you will need to come to **door 1. Please do not drop your child/ren at another door after 7:55 a.m.**

If your child is e-learning or attending in-person instruction, and is in Kindergarten or 6th grade, a state physical form is required for attendance. A State of Illinois Certificate of Child Health Examination form must be turned in by Friday, September 11 or your child will be excluded from school.

We were experiencing some issues with our internet this week. If you can't get into a Zoom session, the issue is most likely on our end. We are working with Comcast and our SBTC technician to resolve the issue.

If your child is wearing a gaiter, please remember they have to be 3-ply and they must stay up. One-ply gaiters are not allowed.

Our first **Cougar Spirit** day will take place tomorrow. Students may show their QR pride by wearing **any** QR logo shirt or sweatshirt with jeans, **school shorts or QR sweatpants/QR pajama pants**. If you don't have spirit wear, gym shirts can be worn.

We have a three day weekend coming up. No school on Monday, Sept. 7. Enjoy the long weekend.

FSP lunch service begins on Tuesday. If you order lunch, please check your calendar carefully to make sure that your child has a hot lunch or bag lunch. Our goal is to reduce the number of forgotten lunches.

Students in grades 5 and 7 will attend Mass on Tuesday. Parents are welcome to attend the 8:15 a.m. mass, but **please remember to sign up online**. The sign up is on the QR website- www.qotr.org. Many thanks to Mrs. Uhlarik, Brian Michalski, the greeters, ushers, and cleaners who are making it possible for us to attend Mass. The parish can always use extra help with greeting, checking people in and sanitizing hands, ushering and cleaning/sanitizing after we leave. If you can help, please sign up on the parish website-www.qotr.org

Our next benefit takes place on Tuesday, Sept. 15 at the Itasca Buona Beef. See the flyer for details.

Parent Club News-

On Wednesday, **Sept. 9**, join Parent Club for the first meeting of the 2020-2021 school year. The meeting is virtual, which will allow you to attend from the comfort of your house. Grab your favorite beverage and join the meeting that begins at 7:00 p.m. The Zoom link will be sent via email closer to the date.

Picture Day is going to be on Monday, September 14. Students do not have to wear uniforms for pictures, but all clothing needs to be appropriate. Please see the Out of Uniform guidelines below. **Due to Covid, all ordering and payment will be done online.** Photographers will be 6 ft. from the students and social distancing will be followed. We anticipate that the process will take longer than in past years. **See the attached for ordering.** E-learners are welcome to come in and have their picture taken. Please call the office next week for a specific time.

FSP Hot Lunch ordering for October starts September 1st and closes September 15th. **Please see the attached for ordering.** https://www.qrschool.org/for_parents/hot_lunch
FSP is having issues with their online ordering. We have been in contact with them about the problems

Parish News

Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament is the new name of our parish. We will still be known as Queen of the Rosary Campus and St. Julian Campus.

Save the date- Saturday, September 26 will have a special Mass at 5:00 p.m. More details to come.

Volunteers are needed to assist with weekend masses, especially with checking in and cleaning after a service. **This is a great opportunity to help our parish, and a great way for our junior high students to earn service hours.** Please consider volunteering. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, we welcome your assistance. Please email: grcares@archchicago.org

Our parish is open for weekend masses. Due to restrictions on numbers, you do need to sign up to attend a weekend Mass at Queen of the Rosary or St. Julian. The link to the sign-up sheet can be found on the QR website- www.qotr.org



Clarifications/Previous Information

. Out of Uniform Days

- Spirit days and Out of Uniform days are held at periodic times and for special occasions. Students are expected to dress modestly and appropriately even when out of uniform. Halter tops, spaghetti straps, and midriff style tops are not allowed. **Tank tops and inappropriate t-shirts are not acceptable for any student. Shorts and/or skirts may not be shorter than mid-thigh.** Yoga pants and pajama bottoms (QR pajama pants are allowed) are not acceptable attire. **Leggings are permitted with a tunic top. Out of uniform passes are not to be used on days we attend mass.**
- Shoes may be dress shoes or athletic shoes. Sandals, clogs, backless, and platform shoes are not permitted. **All shoes must be fully enclosed and completely laced.**
- A parent will be called if a student comes to school inappropriately dressed, and the student will be expected to change before returning to class.

E-Learners are expected to be engaged in learning activities throughout the school day and comply with the following requirements during all Sessions:

- All students must be dressed appropriately for school during the Session. Refer to handbooks for out of uniform days. I encourage you to have your child wear a school shirt.
- Students need to be seated at a desk/table/appropriate work area during a Session. (Not in or on a bed.)
- All books and materials must be at the designated learning area and readily available during a Session.
- **No eating or drinking while in a Session.**
- Prior to joining a Session, ensure that your student is in a private location and that his or her device is not visible to the public.
- Log in with first name and last initial for the Session.
- Keep video on during the Session.
- A virtual background may be used, but it must be appropriate and not switched during the lesson.
- Please minimize all background noise and activity during the Session. We want these Sessions to maximize student learning.
- Any misconduct during the Session will be subject to discipline according to the Queen of the Rosary Student Code of Conduct and Discipline Policy.

The **Handbook has been updated** and can be found **here**. Please note the changes in green due to COVID19 and the highlighted areas.

Gym clothes need to be in good repair throughout the year. Students are not to have holes/tears in their clothing. **The uniform shirt for gym is gray, not blue.**

Sports Program: Due to COVID, the Archdiocese of Chicago's athletic program is still on hold.

Looking Ahead.....

- 9/04 Cougar Spirit Day
- 9/07 No School –Labor Day
- 9/08 Mass Grades 5 & 7
- 9/08 School Board- Committee Meeting Day
- 9/09 Parent Club Meeting (Virtual)
- 9/14 School Picture Day
- 9/15 Mass grades 2 & 8
 - Buona Benefit

9/22 Mass Grades 3,4,6
9/25 Mid-trimester
9/28 McDonald's Benefit Night
9/29 Mass grades 5 & 7

Volunteer Requirements

As mandated by the Archdiocese of Chicago, all volunteers (including but not limited to lunch supervisors, room moms, art moms, coaches, and field trip chaperones) need to sign a Code of Conduct & CANTS form, complete an online Criminal Background Check, and attend Virtus Training. Training sessions are held in various parishes throughout the Archdiocese.

During this time of social distancing, Virtus is offering online training. If you are planning to volunteer, please register on the Virtus website and select the online training option.

You must create an account to attend an online session. (<https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/>)

Thank you for choosing Queen of the Rosary School and for your commitment to Catholic education.

Regards,

K. McGinn

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