



QUEEN OF THE ROSARY  
CATHOLIC SCHOOL



From the Desk of the Principal  
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### PDF of Newsletter

Parent(s):

If your child is e-learning or attending in-person instruction, and is in Kindergarten or 6<sup>th</sup> grade, a state physical form is required for attendance. **A State of Illinois Certificate of Child Health Examination form must be turned in by tomorrow or your child will be excluded from school until we get this paperwork.** This is a requirement of the State of Illinois.

We have new guidelines from the Archdiocese of Chicago regarding sending home a child who exhibits symptoms that could be Covid related. If we send a student home due to symptoms, anyone else who lives in that household must go home as well. We have had some cases of a child coming to the office telling us that they were told by a parent. "If you don't feel well, I will come and pick you up." If you feel your child is ill, please keep the child home. If you are calling school and leaving a voice message or emailing to let us know that your child will not be attending school, please make sure to state the reason for the absence.

**Picture Day** is on Monday. 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 for a specific time. **There is a possibility that pictures will be taken outside.**

On Tuesday, you may have noticed the blue and white ribbons that are tied around the trees on the school ground. These ribbons came with the following message for the staff: "The ribbons are a visible reminder to all that the staff at QR is greatly appreciated and supported. These ribbons tie the QR community together and represent unity, strength and appreciation for all your efforts. Let these ribbons continue to demonstrate your strength to meet the challenge and our commitment to follow the guidelines and support you." Thank you, McCormick family!

Please remember that your child's mask **may not** have a vent.

The school is required to send out a year notification letter regarding asbestos content and management plan. As required, the school retains Intertek-PSI to conduct an AHERA three year re-inspection. Additionally, reports are filed with the Archdiocese three times a year. The letter can be found **here**.

Students in grades 2 & 8 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](http://www.qotr.org).

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

**Important-FSP Hot Lunch Update:** For those who ordered lunch for Sept., FSP will continue through the end of this month and will begin again in January. You will not be able to order hot lunch for October, November or December. Ordering for January will open in December. For those of you with credits from last year (March 16-20, 30, 31 and April), please contact our FSP coordinator at [gorhotlunch@outlook.com](mailto:gorhotlunch@outlook.com) to process a refund.

At this time, free breakfast and lunch is available through Elk Grove High School. On Wednesdays, Elk Grove High School will be handing out free breakfasts and lunches for any child under 18. If you would like to participate in this program, please go to Elk Grove High School between **3:30 and 5:30 p.m. on Wednesdays**. Drive to door 29 and let the person at the door know how many children under 18 are in your family. The food will be put in your trunk.

Parent Club is sponsoring a Drive-In Movie Night that will take place on Friday, October 30. Please see the flyer for details! A fun and safe way to celebrate Halloween.

## Parish News

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](mailto: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](http://www.qotr.org)

## Clarifications/Previous Information

The **Handbook has been updated** and can be found **here**. Please note the changes in green due to COVID-19, 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.**

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.**

## . 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.

### Looking Ahead.....

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  
 10/02 Cougar Spirt Day  
     Trivia Night?  
 10/06 Mass Grades 2 & 8  
 10/12 Columbus Day/No School  
 10/13 Mass Grades 3,4,6  
     School Board Meeting  
 10/14 Parent Club Meeting  
 10/20 Mass Grades 5 & 7  
     • Lou Malnati's Benefit Night  
 10/21 Color Portrait Retakes  
 10/22 Early Dismissal  
     Parent Teacher Conferences ( Virtual)  
 10/23 No School- Students  
 10/27 Mass Grades 2 & 8  
 10/30 Halloween  
     Parent Club Event

### 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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