



QUEEN OF THE ROSARY
CATHOLIC SCHOOL



From the Desk of the Principal
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Parent(s):

We are not in session on Columbus Day, Monday, Oct 12.

Please remember if you travel to a 'hot' state this weekend, your children will need to quarantine for 14 days upon your return. Currently, Wisconsin and 23 other states are on Cook County's list, which can be found below:

<https://cookcountypublichealth.org/communicable-diseases/covid-19/covid-19-travel-guidance/>

e-Learning - If you choose to go on vacation during days we are in session, please know that eLearning is not provided during your vacation or if you must quarantine upon your return.

Arrival- Children should have masks on when exiting the car. Gloves/mittens need to be in their pocket so that we can apply the hand sanitizer.

Halloween plans will be communicated by your child's teacher. Due to restrictions, we will not be able to have Halloween parties with parent volunteers, and families will not be able to send in treats for the entire classroom. Unfortunately, Parent Club will not have their annual Trick or Treat Trail.

Please note the following changes to the calendar.

11:00 am. dismissal on Oct. 22, Conference Day.

1:30 p.m. dismissal on October 30, Jan 28, Feb 25, and May 13.

No school on April 30.

Newly updated calendar can be downloaded [here](#).

Reminder- Parent Teacher Conferences will take place on Thursday, Oct. 22 (**Grades 4—8 will have conferences with the homeroom teacher only.**) Scheduling of your child(ren)'s conference takes place through SignUP Genius and needs to be completed by tomorrow. Please use this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050544AFAB23A31-parent> The Zoom link will be sent to you prior to the day of conferences to meet virtually.

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

Virtus update- Since we are limited in having volunteers working in the school, the Archdiocese advised that we put Virtus accounts in the inactive status. This eliminates schools from being charged fees for active accounts. At this time, the only active volunteers are the individuals working in our parking lot and scout leaders. As things change, we can change the status of volunteers.

Please consider supporting QR's own **Cub Scout Pack 293** with a popcorn purchase. There is limited stock of Specialty Gourmet Popcorn, packaged in beautiful holiday tins. It's not too early to think of Christmas gifts. These are great for teachers or family members! Each item is \$25 and is available before Thanksgiving.

- Peanut Butter Cup: popcorn coated in peanut butter and chocolate (5 available)
- Mud Puddles: caramel corn covered in fudge and peanuts- Tastes like a Snickers bar! (4 available)
- Cherry Cheesecake- Cherry popcorn covered in creamy cheesecake fudge, plus Jelly Belly Very Cherry jellybeans! If you like sweet treats, this one is for you! (4 available)
- White Ruby- Sweet popcorn and tart cranberries covered in white fudge. Just like a white Christmas in a tin! (8 available)

If interested, please email Laura Magenta to make sure it is still available, and you will be instructed about payment and delivery. laura.magenta@gmail.com. Please try to place your order by Oct. 16th. Thank you so much!! See the **flyer** for more information.

Students in grades 3, 4 and 6 will attend Mass on Tuesday. Parents are welcome to attend the 8:15 a.m. mass; **please remember to sign up online**. The sign up is on the parish website- www.qotr.org.

Our next restaurant benefit takes place on October 20 at Lou Malnati's.

Parish News-

2020 Public Rosary Rally this Saturday at Noon at St. Julian campus. Please come and pray the Rosary for America and the whole world. Everyone will need to wear a mask and socially distance in accordance with ILDPH guidelines for public gatherings.

Volunteers are needed to assist with weekend masses and our weekly school Masses on Tuesdays. Please email: grcares@archchicago.org

The link to the sign-up sheet to attend weekend masses can be found on the QR website- www.qotr.org

Clarifications/Previous Information

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. The office will follow up with a call asking:

- Has anyone who lives in your household been ill over the last 14 days?
- Have you been in contact with anyone who became ill over the last 14 days?
- Has anyone you have been in contact with tested positive for COVID-19 in the last 14 days?

Parents will be asked to:

- take and record their children's temperatures every 8 hours starting at 3pm that day
- every 8 hours ask the child/ren if they in any way feel ill specifically ask or observe for
 - Fever
 - Cough
 - Shortness of breath

- Fatigue
- Muscle soreness or body aches
- Headache
- Loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

. 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

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

- If a child is consistently missing Zoom sessions or does not participate in the Session, he/she will be marked absent for the day.
- Attendance daily through the QR website. Families are required to log in by 8:15 a.m.
- 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

Friday is the pick-up/drop off day. (9-11 a.m. and 12-2 p.m.) Please avoid coming to school during the lunch period.

Looking Ahead.....

- 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-11:00 a.m.**
Parent Teacher Conferences (Virtual)
- 10/23 Student Non-Attendance
- 10/27 Mass Grades 2 & 8
- 10/30 Halloween
Dismissal at 1:30 p.m.
No Extended Care
Parent Club Event
- 11/02 McDonald's Benefit
- 11/06 Cougar Spirit Day
Trimester 1 Ends
- 11/13 Report Cards Home

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

Regards,

K. McGinn

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