



QUEEN OF THE ROSARY
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Parish



From the Desk of the Principal
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Parent(s):

We do have three classrooms out on remote due to Covid exposure. The decision to quarantine an individual or a cohort is made by the AoC Task Force based on the information form that I complete and submit. I am given the information to communicate to the school and then to specific classrooms. As a matter of privacy, I am not allowed to give any student or staff member's name or notify all families of a specific cohort that is going to be quarantined. This is the Archdiocese's procedure that all schools are required to follow. Additionally, I am not able to make a decision on my own to quarantine a classroom, quarantine an individual, or place the school on fully remote learning.

The teachers who are not here physically are teaching all their students remotely. In the junior high, the teachers who are remote will continue to teach their in-person students (the classrooms that are not quarantined). An individual will be physically in the room to supervise. It could be another teacher, an assistant, a substitute, or me. We are trying our best to make this work so that we can stay open. Please be patient with us; I know we have glitches.

I am asking everyone to be diligent in following the recommended guidelines: masks, social distancing, washing hands, and avoiding large gatherings.

All students who are e-learning, including students in classes that are quarantined, need to check in daily. Attendance needs to be submitted by 8:15 daily. If you don't check in, you will be marked absent for the day. Morning prayers and announcements begin at 8:05. All attendees need to be signed in by 8:00 a.m. Screens on, audio muted.

The Grand Raffle drawing is less than a month away, and we still have many tickets to sell! If you need tickets, please let us know. Tickets may be purchased online (https://qrschool.org/support_q_r/2020_grand_raffle/grand_raffle_ticket_order_form) by school families and even those who don't live in this area.

Hot lunch orders for December are due on or before noon on November 13, 2020.

The **Panera Benefit** is on November 19 from 4:00-8:00 at the Elk Grove location. See the **flyer** for details.

Many thanks to those who were able to participate in the McDonald's benefit. The event earned \$260.00 for the school

Completing report cards remotely is proving to be a little challenging. Our goal is to distribute report cards tomorrow, November 13. However, if we are not able to distribute to a certain class, you will be notified via email. Envelopes should be returned on Monday.

Many thanks to Dana Arciniegas for organizing the Drive-In movie night and to all who attended last night's Parent Club meeting.

Next Thursday, November 19, is our monthly food collection of non-perishable food items and paper goods for the Elk Grove Food Pantry. Although we have not been able to have our monthly collection since March, our Student Council is ready and willing to get this going again. We ask that each child bring in one item. The items will be collected in each homeroom beginning on Monday and concluding on the 19th, just in time for Thanksgiving.

Parent Club Christmas Bonus letter can be found [here](#).

Students in grades **2 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. Additionally, the mass will be live streamed for our students in school and at home. This will be done through the parish Facebook page. The link can be found on the parish website: www.qotr.org

8St. Francis High School Class of 2025 Entrance Exam is on Saturday, December 5, 2020 at 8:00 a.m. Register at <https://www.sfhscollegeprep.org/admissions/entrance-examapplying-to-sfhs> Any questions? Please contact Director of Admissions Maureen Isphording at misphording@sfhscollegeprep.org or (630) 668-5800, ext. 1120.

Parish News-

Season of Giving- Please read the attached communication from our parish.

For those who are not ready to attend Mass in person, the parish does live stream the weekend Mass. Please make sure your child attends Sunday Mass virtually or in-person. Additionally, Fr. Dan made it possible for the Tuesday school Mass to be live streamed, and those classrooms that are not attending in person have the opportunity to participate virtually.

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 picking up your child/ren early, **please do so no later than 2pm**. This will help alleviate traffic problems during dismissal.

Please remind your child/ren to bring a water bottle to school every day.

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.

Please remember if a child travels to a 'hot' state, the child will need to quarantine for 14 days upon his/her return. Currently, Wisconsin and 30 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-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.
- Virtual backgrounds need to be appropriate and not distracting to other learners.

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.....

11/17 Mass Grades 2, 8
 11/19 Elk Grove Food Drive
 Benefit EG Panera
 11/24 1:30 Dismissal
 11/25 Thanksgiving Break (11/25-29)
 11/29 First Sunday of Advent
 11/30 School Resumes
 4H Advent Prayer Service
 12/01 Mass Grades 5, 7
 12/04 Cougar Spirit Day
 12/06 Grand Raffle Drawing
 12/08 Holy Day- Feast of the Immaculate Conception
 Gr 2 & 8 Mass
 12/17 Christmas (Virtual) Program?
 12/18 1:30 Dismissal
 12/19 Winter Break Begins (12/19 -1/3)
 01/04 School Resumes as Remote Learning for All
 01/18 Martin Luther King Day (No classes)
 01/19 Classes Resume in Person

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

Regards,

K. McGinn

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