



Dear Christ the King Families,
I hope you are all well and enjoying your summer and the beautiful weather. I want to thank all of you who took the time to fill out the parent survey. There was a lot of great feedback and suggestions for the [2020-2021 school year](#). As we sit just 62 days away from the first day of school, I wanted to give you an update as to what we are doing at Christ the King in preparation for the fall.

Based on the survey results, the levels of comfort when it comes to returning to school varied by family. On the whole, it is evident that families want the children back in the building as long as it is safe. Mrs. Rosengarten and I have been working diligently through collaboration with our staff internally, as well as other Diocesan schools, and the public districts to ensure that we are in the best position possible.

The governor has announced that he will come out with mandates and recommendations within the next ten days. Until we get official word from him, as well as from the Ohio Department of Health, I cannot give you any specific details about what school will look like when the students return.

What I can share with you is that [Mrs. Rosengarten](#) and I are each leading a task force so that we are ready for any possible scenario.

Nurse J, four other faculty and staff members, and I are meeting weekly to make sure that when the school does reopen, that all students and families feel comfortable and safe. This includes making purchases such as: more thermometers for regular temperature checks, hand sanitizing stations for the hallways, a high-quality disinfectant machine sprayer to do thorough cleanings of the building, and more. We are also discussing the protocols and policies that will be put in place to limit hallway traffic and unnecessary interactions. We are planning to have students remain in their classrooms, with the teachers rotating to them. Many families shared in the survey that they feel uncomfortable having their child wear a mask all day. We have some ideas in place to ease the concerns, but are waiting on official word from the Ohio Department of Health before we move forward.

Mrs. Rosengarten and five other faculty and staff members are leading a team in preparation for a potential stay-at-home order in the future. We received a lot of valuable feedback and great suggestions to help prepare for the possibility of being forced back into distance-learning.

The question that I am sure is on all of your minds is if your children will be back five days a week, or if we will have to resort to a blended model. Until we get official word from the governor and ODH, I cannot give you a definite answer. We will make every effort to have the students in the building as much as possible while ensuring the health and safety of all students is met. Depending on the potential social distancing requirements set forth by the ODH, and based on the amount of space we have on campus, we are hopeful that should a blended model be required that it would only affect our middle school students. We believe that we have enough space on campus to safely educate all students in grades K-5.

Please know that the health, safety, and comfort of our students and families are our top priorities. I will keep you updated throughout the summer as more information is made available. [I am open to any thoughts or suggestions you may have.](#)

A note on yearbooks- they were set to be shipped out today. We will be in touch again, upon their arrival, to coordinate distribution.

Enjoy the rest of your summer!

In Christ,

Mr. Steve Urbanski

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