



Pray, Hope and Don't Worry!

July 2021

Dear Good Shepherd School Community,

As this very unusual school year has drawn to a close, I would like to take this opportunity to share my gratitude for the numerous positive outcomes that have emerged from this school year.

As a school community, we have learned to be responsible, empathetic, and care for each other in ways we never imagined. Our students and staff demonstrated the kind of tenacity, creativity, and flexibility that made this year's academic & arts programs a success. Our community maintained a positive & resilient attitude as we adapted to the ever-changing learning environment, knowing that this new way of connecting would bear fruit in the end. This year has shown us there is nothing we cannot overcome and achieve **together** by encouraging one another and building each other up.

We are so proud of our Parish School's:

- Commitment to spiritual development and worship through our weekly Friday Masses and celebration of the Sacraments
- Class of 2021 and their prestigious high school acceptances and scholarship awards
- Middle school acceptances to highly competitive academic Higher Achievement Programs including REACH (Regis High School), Xavier, and Fordham Prep
- Re-imagination of our Drama program to connect & perform virtually

...and much, MUCH more!

As you enjoy what I hope to be a safe, restful, refreshing, and relaxing summer, I would like to reiterate our commitment to 5 days in person instruction. As the summer points to brighter days, with increasing levels of normalcy, I am pleased to share some important updates for the opening 2021-22 school year. However, as we know, this may be subject to change:

k-8 Wednesday, September 8 First Day of School 7:50 am (full days through Friday)

UPK Wednesday, September 8 First Day of School (*Groups will be determined at the end of July and parents will be notified*)

Group 1 8am-10am

Group 2 10:30 am - 12:30pm

3k Wednesday, September 8 First Day of School (*Groups will be determined at the end of July and parents will be notified*)

Group 1 8am-10am

Group 2 10:30 am - 12:30pm

UPK Thursday, September 9 Second Day of School

All Students 8 am-noon

3k Thursday, September 9 Second Day of School

All Students 8 am-noon

UPK Friday, September 10 Third Day of School

All Students 8am - 2:20pm (full day)

3k Friday, September 10 Third Day of School

All Students 8am – noon

3k and UPK., Week beginning Monday September 12 full days 8am-2:20pm

Our school building has begun its Summer Hours. The Main Office and 3k and UPK office will be open from 8:00 am - noon, Monday - Thursday. Please feel free to reach out with any questions.

I thank you again for your patience, support, trust, and partnership this year. See you in September!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Lavery
Principal