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Dear Families,

Thank you to our entire Immaculate Conception Catholic School community for a successful first quarter together. It is the partnership between our school and our families that has kept us safe and in session over the last nine weeks. As we look ahead to the second quarter, with two holidays coming and other opportunities to travel and meet with family and friends, we ask everyone to make the safety of our staff, students and families a priority.

As we move into the holiday travel season, the Immaculate Conception Catholic School and Immaculate Care for Kids COVID-19 Preparedness and Response Plan has been amended to include the following:

Travel:

Our school respects the decision of staff or families/students to travel but also recognizes the increased risk of disease transmission during travel. Travel restrictions put in place by the State, National, or Local government offices, including the CDC and Health Departments will be followed. This includes all quarantining guidelines.

If no State, National, or Local government travel restrictions are in place, employees and families/students who have traveled must evaluate precautions used during travel, and experiences during travel, to assess the need to stay home and monitor for symptoms for 14 days upon return from travel.

The CDC website offers comprehensive information on how to stay safe during travel.
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/travel-during-covid19.html>

The U.S. Department of State provides up to date travel advisories to and from foreign countries.
<https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/traveladvisories/traveladvisories.html/>

Travel updates within the US can be found on each state's website.
<https://www.michigan.gov/coronavirus/>

Before, during, and after you travel or visit family and friends, please be mindful of necessary precautions. If there is a need for your family/student to quarantine, the school will work with you to keep up learning for your students during the quarantine.

We are aware that some school districts are considering the option of discontinuing in-person learning during the peak of cold/flu season. Our plan is to continue with in-person learning unless there is a situation that necessitates otherwise. If you have any questions or concerns don't hesitate to contact me.

Thank you for partnering with us during the pandemic.

In Christ's Peace, *Sharon Voegel*
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