



Nourishing the Human Spirit – Mind, Body and Soul – Through Jesus Christ

Dear Laker Families,

It is with promising enthusiasm and excitement we share our plans for the fall 2020 semester. New courses, programs, schedules and the addition of a Global Finance and Trading Lab will enhance our learning environments, prompt collaboration and engagement, strengthen academic rigor and support a student-centered climate anchored in our Catholic Faith.

Student feedback from recent surveys suggested our students wanted an expanded elective program at both the high school and middle school levels. We responded by adding a multi-age middle school elective program that includes over 30 offerings for students. Courses ranging from The Mad Scientists Laboratory to That's Life (finance) to Oh' Snap (digital photography) were included in this year's course selections. 8th grade students have access to Early High School credits in 2d/3d Art, Algebra I, Spanish I, French I. Teachers at the middle level will share a common plan time and work as a team to best meet the unique and diverse needs of our middle level students. The middle and high school will share a common daily schedule allowing for increased access to multi-age learning, classes, whole-school programming, tutoring and enrichment programs.

Our high school curriculum will include 8 Advanced Placement courses offered over a two-year cycle. We will support an AP teaching team with professional development and time for monthly collegial discussions. Our focus at the high school is on preparing students for college, work-place readiness and a life rooted in Faith. Our new schedule will afford students opportunities for internships, work-place visits, adult mentoring and more. We have added 4 levels of language learning in Spanish and French to adhere to the Michigan Merit Standards. We will offer additional courses in Innovation, Business and Finance and Life Sciences. These programs are supported with the newest technologies in our STREAM/Innovation Lab, our Global Trading and Finance Lab and our Environmental/Life Science Lab.

During the Winter of 2020, LMC launched its first global exchange program with our French partners at Saint-Denis International School. The one-month exchange program opens the doors to partnerships with several schools in many countries across the globe. Our intent is to afford students experiences in study/travel, global exchanges and opportunities to study abroad. We seek to expand a diverse student population allowing our students to grow in tolerance and a global perspective of our world.

Our school is rooted in a tradition of Catholic faith formation, sacramental preparation, a 6-12 Theology curriculum and an all-school service program. Jesus Christ is the reason for our



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school and it is his teachings and our support of students' academic, social, and emotional development that offers our students a unique and Catholic school experience second to none.

It's a Great Time To Be A Laker!

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