



Saint Ann School

Where Faith & Knowledge Meet

Good Morning –

Today I am writing with a few more updates regarding calendar changes and possible closure due to COVID-19.

I want to begin with calendar changes. The Drama production of Mary Poppins has been postponed. The new dates are being finalized and will be published. I have also decided to postpone the Spring Art and Music Showcase until a later date. These changes are out of precaution but based on the rapidly evolving and growing pandemic.

Saint Ann School will NOT be closing for planning. We are lucky to have a faculty who always go above and beyond. They have been preparing materials should a closure be necessary. I am beyond grateful and blessed to have such an amazing and dedicated group of educational professionals.

We will not be closing for cleaning. We are scheduled to be closed on next Friday, March 20th, and will be having the cleaning conducted on that date.

I have been and will continue to be in consistent contact with Lawrence Township Public Schools, NJDOE, and Mercer County Health Officials. I have had conference calls with the Commissioner of Education, Head of the State Health Department, and Governor Murphy.

I have received question on if days of closure would count towards the 180 days of school. Last week the Commissioner of Education issued guidance stating that home instruction would count towards the in-school count provided 1-hour of daily instruction is received. This is applicable in the case that the closure is initiated by the NJDOH or local health department.

If a closure is required, it will be communicated in a fashion similar to snow days (which we have not experienced this year). I will send out a SchoolMessenger phone call, email, and text message. We will also send out a Constant Contact email. Please make sure that your phone numbers and email addresses are up-to-date. If you are unsure contact the office with your contact information. We also will post closure information on our social media and website.

I thank you for your patience as we navigate this situation. The health and wellness of students and staff are my top concern and any decisions will be made in the best interest and safety of all.

God Bless,
Salvatore Chiaravalloti
Principal