

Dear Parents,

I hope you were able to join in on Facebook this evening (Operator Error happened!!), if not; I will be reading again tomorrow at 7:30 Pm.

Here are some Distance Learning Best Practices, #1 and #11 are really important ones!!

1. Don't stress, and try not to let your child get stressed. This is new for all of us, but we will figure it out together.
2. Set up a workspace that doesn't need to be cleaned up each night. Older children will need occasional access to a computer. Set up school supplies and try to limit distractions.
3. Try to start at roughly the same time every day. It doesn't need to be 8:00 — whatever works best for your family. Have your child get dressed and have breakfast before the starting time.
4. Start with a prayer. "Our Father" or "Hail Mary" would be perfect.
5. Aim for a "class" of uninterrupted work time of 30 to 40 minutes, depending on your child's age.
6. After each "class," have them take a break for a household chore, a snack, lunch, etc.
7. Aim for 4 - 6 "classes" per day, one of which should be playing outside. Let your child choose which subject to work on next. Contact your child's teacher if you have any questions.
8. End the school day at approximately 3:00. End with another prayer.
9. For after school "homework," they should read for about 20 minutes, practice IXL as directed by their teacher, and do an act of service for someone in the family. They could also call a friend/relative who is home alone, or write a card for a senior at a Senior Center.
10. Watch for additional emails as we figure things out.
11. See #1.