

July 14, 2020

Dear Saint Anne's School Community,

Greetings from Dartmouth Street! The last few weeks have not only been exciting, but also challenging as we work to hopefully reopen our school with specific guidelines from the state. Despite that, I wanted you to know of the proactive approach we are taking for your children.

1. Governor Cuomo announced that plans to reopen schools are due to New York State on July 31.
2. Our school's leadership team has been working on several possible scenarios as to how we may operate starting in September 2020.
3. Faculty have been notified to begin preparing themselves for one of three scenarios of learning: totally in person, totally virtual, or a hybrid.
4. One hundred sixty new Chromebooks have been purchased to help advance our successful use of digital learning.
5. Professional development will be made available in August for teachers regarding Google Classroom and Social Emotional Learning (SEL).
6. To help with the preparation of a possible school opening, I have completed the certificate provided by FEMA entitled: "Introduction to Continuity of Operations Planning for Pandemic Influenzas." This is a resource that describes strategies for resolving continuity challenges presented by pandemics.
7. Steps have been taken to equip each classroom with hand sanitizing stations. These will be available for our students and faculty throughout the day. CDC guidelines on handwashing and everyday protective measures will be posted throughout the school.
8. At the recommendation of the Diocese of Rockville Centre and Morningstar, we have agreed to work with Perrotta Consulting, LLC ([www.perrottaplanning.com](http://www.perrottaplanning.com)). They will assess the status of our building and develop an operating plan for a possible re-open.

We are all eager to be back in our classrooms, as we have been in the past, but we also want to ensure the health and safety of our students and faculty. Rest assured that we are working tirelessly to make sure that September will be the beginning of a fruitful academic year.

God bless,

Paul Morisi, Principal