



SAINT ANNE'S SCHOOL

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Dear Saint Anne's School Community,

Thank you all for the continued support of the reopening of our school. We know this has been an unusual experience for us all but we believe that Saint Anne's School is moving in the right direction. We are well on our way to the opening of a great school year!

Today the Diocese of Rockville Centre and The Morning Star Initiative shared with all of the principals new mandates from the New York State Education Department. Due to these updates Saint Anne's School will be forced to change our plans and mandate masks during instructional periods. These changes also mean that class sizes will range between 15-24 students. This number will fluctuate depending on how many parents elect remote learning.

Parent forums will occur later this week via Zoom. We hope that we can present our reopening plan to you and allow for you to ask questions. Thank you to those of you that sent questions in advance, it allows us to better prepare for such a forum to best meet your needs and circumstances. Please feel free to continue to send questions to:

schoolreopen@stannesgc.org. Our FAQ sheet has been updated to reflect the questions that have been received.

Some of you have asked about the remote option being offered by Saint Anne's School. I ask that you refer to our reopening plan to view our approach to virtual learning. Additional information can be found on our FAQ document. Please know that we are outfitting each classroom with a camera and each teacher will have a microphone that they can use to best instruct those who will be learning virtually in real time. The curriculum used for in-person and virtual teaching will remain the same to meet New York State Learning Standards.

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In addition, we have received some questions regarding Nursery and Pre-K. New guidelines for these grades will be available on our school website shortly. If you still have any questions regarding this topic, please email schoolreopen@stannesgc.org.

In planning for the 2020-2021 school year, I wanted to ensure that we were taking into consideration the Social Emotional Well-being of our student body. To address this we have hired a full time guidance counselor. Ms. Losito. She is a St. John's University graduate with classroom experience. We believe that she will bring added assistance to making this upcoming year a great success.

We know that this year may be more unique than those in the past. Here at Saint Anne's School we are eager to be with you all this coming September.

God bless,

Paul Morisi, Principal