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Dear Prospective Parents/Guardians,

Holy Cross Academy is pleased to announce that after that many exhaustive hours, we have completed a very comprehensive protocol for reopening our school. Our plan was created with the goal of keeping your children and our staff as safe as possible during these trying times.

Under the guidance of government health agencies, The Covid 19 Return to School Task Force collaborated with local experts and considered feedback provided by our parent and staff surveys. They have compiled a plan that serves our students, your children, in the best way possible. They have taken into consideration not only the best way to maintain our mission to educate your child in the Catholic tradition under these new conditions, but also how to tend to their social, emotional and spiritual well-being. All the while, physical health and safety continues to be at the forefront of mind.

Our esteemed reputation, combined with our ability to provide a five day In-Person and five-day Remote Learning offering resulted in our phone ringing off the hook this summer! While increasing enrollment remains a goal, the decision was made to limit homeroom sizes to 15 in K-8 and 12 in PreK. This way, we can limit traffic flow and take care not to burden our teachers in what we expect may already be a challenging year in many ways.

We will be opening on September 8, 2020 for both 5-day In-Person and 5-day Remote Learning. Our first week will be half days to allow us all to ease into new protocols and procedures and allow the children time to build mask endurance at school. I am very much looking forward to seeing the children in September.

We have limited spots available at this time and wait lists in many grades. However, as our waitlist grows, we will be adding additional homerooms. Please do not hesitate to contact our school office at 732-842-0348, ext. 1129 for an application. If you would like to see the complete reopening plan, it is available to those considering applying to our Academy.

We look forward to hearing from you. I am available to answer any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

Dr. Mark DeMareo

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