



**Christ the King
Catholic School**

Reopening Communication

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Overview

Greetings Christ the King families,

We hope this letter finds you well and enjoying the final stretch of summer break! This communication is entirely meant to fill you in on the new details we have been able to finalize since our July 20 communication letter. That letter was a comprehensive review of our plan, and if you are a new family who had not received it or if you have not yet read it, please do so prior to reading this communication.

We will assume that you know what is in that letter as you read this communication.

Please click [HERE](#) to view the July 20 Communication Letter in English.

Please click [HERE](#) to view the July 20 Communication Letter in Spanish.

Please click [HERE](#) to view the CKS website which has been compiling all of our communications regarding the Return to Learn process and plan.

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I. Application and Enrollment Reminder

For the many of you who have finished your application and/or reenrollment, we are very grateful for timeliness!

If you have completed a new student application but have not proceeded to the enrollment stage of the process, please log in to the Family Portal at <https://logins2.renweb.com/logins/ParentsWeb-Login.aspx> and complete the Reenrollment Packet found on the menu on the left hand side of the main page.

****Note:** many returning families have also filled out new student applications, and you will want to complete the enrollment packet, as well.

****Note:** all families who have filled out new student applications have received an email from Christ the King School giving instructions on how to complete the enrollment process.

For any returning students, you just need to log into the Family Portal at the link above and complete the packet. It is very possible that parents of students last year never logged into the Family Portal, so you may need to create an account.

II. Start of school time and date reminder (no change)

As communicated at various times throughout the spring and summer, we plan to start school on August 24th and our school days will operate from 8:10 - 3:45. Please view the July 20 communication for more information regarding arrival times and the logistics of the school day.

We are giving families the option of beginning the year in distance learning. The deadline for signing up was last week, but if you would like to make an individual request, we will discuss the potential of us being able to make this accommodation for you. Families who sign up for distance learning are committing on a trimester basis unless an exception is made.

III. Back to School Night

We plan to hold Back to School Night on August 17th, 18th, and/or 19th. We will be finalizing the logistics of this when we receive more notice on the ability to use certain physical spaces on campus and how we will split families to ensure a safe atmosphere. More information on this to come.

IV. Uniform Order Online Store

We are excited to announce the opening of our NEW online store!! This is your store for uniform and Christ the King apparel!! I, for one, am excited about the DriFit ¼ zip! Before ordering, please review the Christ the King uniform policy. (Ignore the year on the policy). <https://cksdesmoines.com/uniforms>. Not everything in the store will be approved for uniform, so it is the responsibility of the families and students to be cognizant in the purchasing in this regard.

Many thanks go out to Christy Feldman, our Home and School president, for making this a reality!

Please visit the website at: <http://cks.sewcherry.com/>

All orders placed by August 5th will arrive prior to the start of school and should be available at Back to School Night.

V. Cleaning and Disinfecting Procedures

We met with our cleaning company this week and were extremely pleased with our strategy and plan to help keep our building safe and clean for our students. Each day, all seating areas, door handles, and bathrooms will be disinfected as in previous years.

We also plan to replace all air filters with the highest quality filters around the school building so our students are breathing the cleanest air possible. All classrooms have the benefit of having windows, so we will be looking at safe ways to have windows open as much as possible this fall.

As a side note, we are also looking to secure funds for transparent “sneeze guards” at the seats in the classrooms where we will need them the most.

VI. Lunch Seating

This past week, we worked to set up the cafeteria for lunch seating. We have it worked out so that our classes will be separated from other classes. This is important because much of our plan revolves around the concept of grade levels limiting exposure to each other as much as possible. Within this success, we also worked it out so that our students will be about 7 to 8 feet away from the student in front of them and 4 to 5 feet away from the person to their left and/or right. These students to their left and right will also likely be the students who may be in their proximity in the classroom. Again, this is important in order to succeed in our plan.

Perhaps the best part of this plan is that it is a safe way to have students eat while also being able to socialize with their peers in a way that will feel comfortable to them.

VII. Items to Come in the Near Future

In the near future, you can expect more details regarding the pickup and dropoff lines. We may hold this until Back to School Night or we may distribute this prior to that event.

In the near future, you can also expect us to send out the bus list for all families who have requested a bus. If you would like, you may send a confirmation email to Daniel Thole at dthole@cksdesmoines.com to ensure your child is on the bus list.

Please visit <https://cksdesmoines.com/transportation-and-bus> for more information.

We thank you for your support over the past couple months while we have been working to ensure the success of the start of this school year that has arrived under unprecedented circumstances. We continue to welcome and encourage your questions and your ideas as we are all aware that the more minds we have working together on this, the better off our students will be.

God bless and we look forward to seeing you all soon,

Daniel Thole
Principal
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