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Hello everyone!

We are wrapping up MAP testing. We should be done this week. Thank you for making sure your child has gotten enough rest. Results will be sent home soon.

The Board of Trustees and I met last Tuesday. We were all in agreement that our number one goal is to keep our families safe and to keep our kids in school. We deliberated for over an hour on how best to do this. We voted unanimously to add 2 sections to the policy. The policy is at the bottom of this newsletter and the new sections are in bold print. Please be sure to look at it. Reminder, we strongly recommend that if your child is sick with more than one symptom, they should stay home. If there is only 1 symptom, they can come to school, but we really want you to consider sending masks for your child to wear to keep others safe. Thank you for your diligence in keeping your sick children home so far this year.

We also decided, on the advice of a medical professional, that birthday treats may be homemade. It would still be nice to have them packaged individually to make it easier to hand out at lunch time. Thank you for understanding.

The diocese is asking that all schools pray a rosary on October 13 at 9:00 am. We will go to church to do that. A parishioner is leading it. Please consider joining us. The more prayers, the better!

You may have seen that the teachers are having Denim for Dollars on Fridays. We can wear jeans if we add to a collection we have started. The teachers want to give something back to our amazing families we are blessed to have. In cooperation with the Home and School Association, we will donate our collection to the Spirit Drawing they are running. Another family will have the opportunity to receive some extra money. From the bottom of our hearts, thank you families for being so awesome!

One final reminder, if you have not already sent in your slip for your child to take his/her Chromebook home, please do so. A copy is attached to this newsletter.

God bless!

Mrs. Holst

Divine Savior offers high quality, personalized, Catholic-based education that inspires and empowers its learners to achieve academic excellence and develops life-long learning skills. Learners are challenged to walk in the footsteps of Christ valuing knowledge, prayer, and service to others.

In trying to keep our students safe and in school, the Board has made this policy. Please remember that this is a fluid situation and can be revised depending on the current public health situation. We will keep you informed if and when plans change.

Here are the important points:

- Masks will be optional for everyone.
- If a student or staff member tests positive, he/she will be quarantined for 10 days.
- If a child is quarantined for 10 days, the staff will work with the family to determine the best learning set up for that student while he/she is out. This could be learning virtually or having materials sent home to work on.
- An email will be sent to families in a classroom of a positive student/staff member. We will not go virtual immediately as we did last year. Rather we will work closely with the families as to the next steps. Next steps will include:
 - ***Students in that homeroom will mask for 10 school days after the most recent positive case.***
- We ask that the parents monitor their children for any symptoms. Please keep your child home if they are sick or exhibit 2 or more symptoms of COVID-19.
- We will be encouraging the students to follow other protocols such as washing hands frequently and keeping some distance from each other. We will also be washing common areas frequently as well as not sharing supplies with each other unless they are sanitized in between.
- If a household member tests positive, ***students from that family will mask for 10 school days if they do not quarantine.***
- We will allow parents and visitors into the building. We ask that they follow all protocols we have in place.

Thank you everyone for all of your support as we continue to work through this together.

**See below for the chromebook form

PERMISSION FORM

Chrome Books and iPads

Students in grades 3-8 are allowed to take home their chromebooks to complete school work if a device is not available at home.

Students in grades 4K-2 are not allowed to take their devices home and are used only at school. However, in the event we need to have classes virtually, they will be allowed to take them home.

In both scenarios, students will be allowed to take the device home ONLY if we have received parental approval. Please sign and return this form on September 1.

My child(ren), _____,
may bring their chromebooks or iPads home as described above.

In granting this permission, I understand that my family is responsible for any damage (not covered by insurance), loss, or misuse of the device and the charging cord including replacement of the device.

I understand that the device may only be used to do school work.

Signature: _____ Date: _____