



July 12, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardians,

As promised, I wanted to take a few moments today to update you on our progress with our reopening plan and some other important details as we continue working on things for the 2020-2021 school year.

**OLPR Reopening Plan Task Force:** our internal task force met again last week and continues to diligently compile specific details into documents which we plan to share with all of you as soon as we are able. This week, we specifically focused on areas including, but not limited to, classroom spacing, school entry processes and procedures Google classroom and other virtual learning components, building safety and more. As each part of the plan becomes finalized, we will post them to the reopening page of the OLPR website and send them via email. We appreciate your patience with us as all of this comes together. The health and safety of all of our students, staff and families is paramount, and we want to get this right to the best of our abilities.

**Classroom Supply Lists and Uniforms:** In addition, to the reopening plan, we are finalizing the individual classroom supply lists for each grade. We know that many of you like to get a head start on purchasing items over the summer months. These lists will be posted to the OLPR website and emailed this week. We will do the same for our uniform policy, so everyone can start making those purchases as well.

**School Calendar:** In the event we see the need to make changes throughout the school year, we have decided to provide the school calendar to families electronically this year. The calendar will live on the OLPR website and will also be linked to our weekly eMinder email. Unlike our traditional calendar which mapped out the entire school year and relied on families to write in adjustments, using an electronic format allows us to keep things updated in real-time and make any necessary changes. We will keep you informed of all changes and modifications. For those who prefer a hard copy of the calendar, when students return, we will send home a hard copy list of critical dates for the school year, as well as monthly calendars. These will be sent in your student's family communication folder.

**OLPR Handbook:** In order to ensure clear communication, we are working on including several key pieces of information in our 2020-2021 student handbook to reflect policies and procedures related to COVID-19. As such, we will also be sure to upload this to the website alongside the reopening planning documents. A hard copy will be sent home in your student's first family folder for you to read, review and sign off on.

**OLPR Fundraisers:** We have received several inquiries into how fundraising will be done during the upcoming school year. We assure you that the Home and School Board is working on fun and creative ways to continue some of your favorite fundraisers, as well as coming up with new ideas for virtual fundraisers. If you haven't already, please visit their newly created OLPR Strong Facebook group where they are currently selling t-shirts and have several online raffles planned for the coming weeks. Click <https://www.facebook.com/groups/2611318479091393/> to visit and join the group. We can't wait to see you there!

The task force will be meeting again this week, so stay tuned for another update next weekend. In the meantime, stay safe and well.

God be with you,  
*Sr. Mary*