



July 15, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Realizing that everyone is eager to hear about opening dates for school, we are pleased to share with you our plans to welcome our students and families for the 2020-2021 school year. The following information outlines the dates, operating schedule, cohort model, mask policy and details on student spacing

**Opening Dates:** We will open as follows...

- September 1st: Grades 5 to 8 orientation 7:50-12:00
- September 2: Grades 1 to 4 orientation 7:50-12:00
- September 9,10,11 Grades 1-8 7:50-1:00
- September 14 Grades 1-8 full days
- PreK-3, PreK-4 and Kindergarten orientation date September 14 time to be announced.
- PreKs and K noon dismissal September 15,16,17,18

**OLPR Operating Schedule:** OLPR will be operating on a full-day, 5-day per week schedule for all students. We are will be utilizing the cohort model (see below), and want to assure you that **ALL OF OUR CLASSROOMS ARE UNDER THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS RECOMMENDED FOR EACH ROOM ACCORDING TO SOCIAL DISTANCING GUIDELINES.**

**Cohort Model:** OLPR will be following the cohort model where students will be grouped in their individual classrooms with assigned faculty and staff for the duration of their time in the school building. They will stay together throughout the school day and will not mix with other cohorts. This allows us to properly monitor and track the health and well being of students and staff within the cohort and to communicate and react accordingly in the event there is a need to quarantine.

**Mask Policy:** In alignment with recommended guidelines, students and staff will wear masks upon entering, at dismissal, and in any and all public areas of the building (including but not limited to the hallways, bathrooms, etc.). However, while with their cohorts, students may or may not wear masks. If a mask is removed while in their cohort, the student must put it in a ziploc bag provided by their family with their name on it. Students are required to bring a mask with them daily, and to have a backup mask that remains in the classroom in the event they forget to bring one or need to replace one during the school day.

**Student Spacing in Classrooms:** Students will be sitting in desks in their classrooms, facing the same direction and spaced out according to distance guidelines.

As mentioned in previous emails, our internal task force continues to meet and work through various elements of our reopening plan. More information will be sent as it becomes available, but we know that you are all eager to know about these opening dates and the basics. So we wanted to send this to you sooner than later.

We look forward to welcoming our students back in a few weeks for an amazing school year.

God be with you,  
Sr. Mary