

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION SCHOOL NEWS- September 24, 2020**  
**BY MR. DUTTWEILER**

Dear Parents,

I know these can be troubling times as parents dealing with sick children. I know there are many unanswered questions. Please know that Mrs. Baritot, the teachers, and I are here to do everything we can to help you and your children get through these difficult days. I want to thank Mrs. Baritot for all her work this year; she is working non stop from early morning to dismissal and sometimes beyond. We are very fortunate to have such a dedicated school nurse. Please see the attachments regarding the condensed version of our health protocols and the form that a doctor needs to sign before someone is allowed to return to school. The letter that the doctor needs to complete is a bit different than the one previously sent. The information at the bottom is different.

Please do not panic if a child in your child's class is sick and absent for a few days. It may take a few days to see a doctor. So far all the absences have been for routine things that in an ordinary year, we would not be concerned. We do not want rumors and gossip to spread.

If your son or daughter has to be out more than 72 hours, please contact your child's teachers. We can do one of two things so the students can keep up with the work missed. Work can be sent home like it has been done in the past or the students can participate in class through google meet. We will do the google meet in grades Kindergarten through Grade 3 for math and English Language Arts (ELA) and in grades 4-8 for Math, ELA, Science, Social Studies. I feel these are the subjects where the students could fall behind if they are missing school.

We are planning Parent Teacher Conferences for Thursday, October 22 from 12:30 until 3:30 (Dismissal will be at noon that day) and for Wednesday, October 28 from 9:00 until 3:30. (That is a day off for the students) Enclosed in this newsletter is a form indicating a time preference to meet with your child's homeroom teacher. Please return it to school as soon as possible. We will try to schedule you as best as we can. You will be notified of your time. After the homeroom teachers and you get the schedules, if you want to see a teacher other than the homeroom teacher, you may contact the teacher directly.

Our school is now in possession of two 3D printers. We received these through a grant from the Upon This Rock program from the Diocese of Buffalo. Once we receive some instructions, we will be ready to use them.

Now that you have received last year's yearbook, and we had a year with Lifetouch Photography, we need to make a decision about this year's picture company. In the next few days you will be receiving a survey asking should we stick with Lifetouch or go back to Terry's Photo Studios that was used for several years. Please respond so I can make a decision.

The students are doing great with the masks. Some of the students may need a new mask or at least a clean one, we do have extras if you need one.

We are having our first school Mass on Friday, October 2 for grades 4-8. Because of the church's limited capacity, no parents or parishioners will be able to attend. It will be livestreamed through our parish website. A prayer service for Kindergarten through Grade 3 will take place on Wednesday, October 7.

Please continue to pray that everyone remains safe and this pandemic can end!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joe Duttweiler".

Joseph Duttweiler

Principal

# October 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2 2:45 pm Dismissal 15 minute early dismissal drill Mass – Grades 4-8	3
4	5	6	7 Prayer Service Grades K-3	8	9 <b>NO SCHOOL</b> Professional Development Day	10
11	12 <b>NO SCHOOL</b> Columbus Day	13 7:00 – 8:30 pm – Reconciliation Parent Meeting	14 Grade 7 Retreat	15	16	17 9:00 – 10:30 am – Reconciliation Parent Meeting
18	19	20 7:00 – 8:30 pm – First Eucharist Parent Meeting	21 Progress Reports Go Home Today	22 <b>NOON DISMISSAL</b> Parent/Teacher Conferences	23	24 9:00 – 10:30 am – First Eucharist Parent Meeting 12:00 – 3:00 pm – Chicken BBQ & Raffle
25	26	27	28 <b>NO SCHOOL</b> Parent/Teacher Conferences	29	30	31 <b>Halloween</b>

September 24, 2020

Dear Parents,

We are planning to have Parent Teacher Conferences with your son or daughter's homeroom teacher on Thursday, October 22, from 12:30 until 3:30, and on Wednesday, October 28, from 9:00 until 3:30. Each conference will be for 15 minutes. First Trimester Progress Reports will be sent home on Wednesday, October 21.

Please indicate the names and grades of your children and your first choice, second, and third choices for times. We will try to honor your requests as much as we can.

You will be notified of your conference times. After the homeroom teachers get their schedules, if you wish to have a conference with another teacher, you may contact the teacher directly.

Please fill out the form below and return it to school.

Sincerely,

  
Joseph Duttweiler

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Name of Child

Grade

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Indicate preference -- first, second, third choice:

Thursday, October 22:      12:30 – 2:00 \_\_\_\_\_

   2:00 – 3:30 \_\_\_\_\_

Wednesday, October 28:      9:00 – 11:00 \_\_\_\_\_

   11:00 – 1:00 \_\_\_\_\_

   1:00 – 3:30 \_\_\_\_\_

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Parent Signature

# \*\*\*Immaculate Conception School Protocol\*\*\*

**Each morning**, before your child attends school, please review the following scenarios:

- Since they were last in school – including this morning – has your child registered a temperature of 100.0F or higher?
- Since they were last in school – including this morning – has your child *or anyone in their immediate household* experienced any COVID-19 or flu-like symptoms (such as fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, severe congestion, nausea or vomiting, or diarrhea)?
- Has your child *or anyone in their immediate household* tested positive through a diagnostic test for COVID-19 in the past 14 days or are you awaiting COVID-19 results?
- Has your child knowingly been in close or immediate contact with anyone in the past 14 days who has tested positive through a diagnostic test for COVID-19 or is awaiting COVID-19 test results?
- In the last 14 days has your child *or anyone in their immediate household* traveled outside the U.S. or to a State/Territory/Area which is currently covered by the NYS Travel Advisory\*? \*If you are unsure whether the location you traveled to is on the list, please answer “YES”. We will verify with you.

If any of your answers are YES,  
**Your child CANNOT attend school today**

Please contact the school nurse to identify an appropriate path for return.

**Note:** A student cannot return to school until the COVID Return Form is submitted. This includes a minimum 72 hour (and up to 24 day) isolation that is fever free and one or more of the following:

- An alternative diagnosis from your doctor
- SARS-CoV2 test results (either + or -)
- Close contact identification

Please contact Krys Baritot:  
Phone: 716-652-5855  
Fax: 716-805-0192

If all of your answers are NO,  
**Your child CAN attend school today**

## **IMPORTANT:**

- Do not give your child medicine (Tylenol, Pepto Bismol, etc.) for the purpose of masking symptoms
- Do not underreport. We understand that keeping your child home for a few days is difficult for your schedule, however it is crucial for our long-term success.
- This screening protocol relies on trust, honesty, community-mindedness and concern for the greater good.

Patient's/Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_  
Date sent home from school or 1<sup>st</sup> day kept home from school: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*NOT TESTED & NO CLOSE CONTACT\*\***

*Close contact to a COVID-19 positive person requires 14 days quarantine-see close contact section below.*

\_\_\_\_ 1.) Student found to have another source of symptoms, SARS-CoV2 testing was NOT done, and may return to school when they are 72 hours fever-free<sup>2</sup> with no antipyretic use and other symptoms are improving. (Provider is confident the illness is not COVID).

\_\_\_\_ 2.) Student NOT found to have another source of symptoms or they have a source for their symptoms but the provider is not confident that COVID-19 is excluded & SARS-CoV2 testing was NOT done. Patient may return to school after a MINIMUM of 10 days from the onset of symptoms with the last 72 hours fever-free<sup>2</sup> with no antipyretic use and other symptoms improving.

**\*\*NEGATIVE COVID-19 TEST & NO CLOSE CONTACT\*\***

*Close contact to a COVID positive person requires 14 day quarantine even if the student's COVID test is negative, see close contact section below.*

\_\_\_\_ 3.) Student had a NEGATIVE test for SARS-CoV2, as well as another source for symptoms, and may return to school when they are 72 hours fever-free<sup>2</sup> with no antipyretic use and other symptoms are improving.

\_\_\_\_ 4.) Student had a NEGATIVE test for SARS-CoV2, with high suspicion of possible false negative test based on provider's judgement, so may return to school after a MINIMUM of 10 days from the onset of symptoms with the last 72 hours fever-free<sup>2</sup> with no antipyretic use and other symptoms improving.

**\*\*POSITIVE COVID-19 TEST\*\***

\_\_\_\_ 5.) Student had a POSITIVE test for SARS-CoV2 and must stay home for a MINIMUM of 10 days from the onset of symptoms with the last 72 hours fever-free<sup>2</sup> with no antipyretic use and other symptoms improving.

\_\_\_\_ 6.) Student is asymptomatic but had a POSITIVE test for SARS-CoV2 and must stay home for **10 days** from the date of the test. If symptoms develop, the student must THEN stay home for a MINIMUM of 10 days from the onset of symptoms with the last 72 hours fever-free<sup>2</sup> with no antipyretic use and other symptoms improving.

**\*\*CLOSE CONTACT TO A COVID-19 POSITIVE PERSON\*\***

\_\_\_\_ 7.) Student is asymptomatic and has a known close contact to someone with COVID-19 and must quarantine for **14 days** from the date of the last exposure, regardless of test results. (Discrete exposure-i.e. out of household contact such as daycare, work or school).

*-If symptoms develop, the student may return to school after a MINIMUM of 10 days from the onset of symptoms with the last 72 hours fever-free<sup>2</sup> with no antipyretic use and other symptoms improving.*

\_\_\_\_ 8.) Student is asymptomatic and has a known **HOUSEHOLD** exposure to someone with COVID-19 and was unable to quarantine from COVID case. Student must quarantine for **24 days** (14 days from the date that contact is no longer contagious-14+10 days).

*-If symptoms develop, the student may return to school after a MINIMUM of 10 days from the onset of symptoms with the last 72 hours fever-free<sup>2</sup> with no antipyretic use and other symptoms improving.*

The **EARLIEST** this patient may return to school is: \_\_\_\_\_

Physician/PA/NP Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Office name & phone \_\_\_\_\_

*If testing is PENDING, please complete the form only after results are available. A student may not return while a test is pending.*

*<sup>1</sup>Close contact for a student in school (K-12 and colleges) is defined as <6 ft for ≥ 60 continuous minutes regardless of whether either or both people were wearing a mask. Direct cough or sneezing may expand the definition of close contact in time & distance.*

*<sup>2</sup>Fever is defined as ≥100.4F, and "resolved" means the student has a temperature below that WITHOUT the use of medication. If fever was never present, the other guidelines must still be followed.*

*This statement is valid based on relevant information on the date above, but may change based on new symptoms, exposures, or results. The patient's family has been instructed to notify the office for any changes.*

# Annual \$25 Theme Basket Donation



Please help us fill our theme baskets!

We are asking for a \$25 donation per family. This will allow us to put together 60 theme baskets between our October and December Fundraisers.

Please send in your donation to the office by October 1 and put it in an envelope labeled: *Annual Theme Basket Donation* along with the portion below.

Any questions please contact Lisa Martin at  
913-0204 or [lvmartin05@gmail.com](mailto:lvmartin05@gmail.com)

**Thank You!!**



**\$25 Theme Basket Donation**

(Cash or Check Payable to Immaculate Conception School)

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_



**BABY YODA HOPES YOU'LL  
COME TO ICY**

**You're Invited to  
ICY Junior High  
Sat., Sept. 26th  
6.00-7:30 p.m.  
Immaculate Conception**



**Text @icy486 to 81010  
to receive Text Reminders  
Follow us on Instagram #icyouthea  
www.icyouthea.org**



**Questions—contact Denise York at youth@icchurchea.org**





# St. Mary's Open House

*St. Mary's is thrilled to be welcoming our prospective students onto campus for in-person tours and meet and greets with administration, faculty, staff, and current students.*

**Thursday, October 1<sup>st</sup> at 5 p.m.**

**Wednesday, October 14<sup>th</sup> from 4 – 7:30 p.m.**

*We have taken the proper precautions and measures to ensure the safety of all of our guests, students, and staff at this time. Here are some of the highlights:*

- **Contactless preregistration at [smhlancers.org](https://smhlancers.org)**
- **Reserved time slots for the potential SMH student and up to 2 adult guests**
- **Tours of the building in a controlled environment with limited capacity, required face coverings and frequent sanitization**
- **Health screening questions to be completed via email 1-2 days prior to your arrival on campus**
- **Self-contained informational packets to review at your leisure**

**For further information and updates, please visit [smhlancers.org/open-house-2020](https://smhlancers.org/open-house-2020).**

**If you have any questions, please reach out to Andrea Drabik, Dean of Student Life & Admissions at [adrabik@smhlancers.org](mailto:adrabik@smhlancers.org).**





# CANISIUS HIGH SCHOOL

*Jesuit Preparation For College... For Life*

Greetings from Canisius High School

### **OPEN HOUSE *for students in grades 5, 6, 7 & 8***

Saturday October 17<sup>th</sup>, Sunday October 18<sup>th</sup> & Tuesday October 20<sup>th</sup> 2020  
Canisius High School will offer our annual Fall Open House for prospective students. Registration is limited and pre-registration is required. Parents may reserve an Open House visit time at [canisiushigh.org/openhouse](http://canisiushigh.org/openhouse).

### **PRIVATE TOURS *for students in grades 5, 6, 7 & 8***

Families who would prefer a private tour on a non-open-house date are welcome to request a tour at [canisiushigh.org/tours](http://canisiushigh.org/tours).

### **CRUSADER FOR THE DAY PROGRAM *for students in grade 8***

A prospective student can be a Crusader For The Day to experience Canisius on a school day. Space is limited. Learn more at [canisiushigh.org/visit](http://canisiushigh.org/visit) or call 716.200.0236 to schedule your day.

### **ENTRANCE EXAM TUTORIAL COURSE *for students in grade 8***

The Entrance Exam Tutorial Course will be held at Canisius High School on three Saturdays leading up to the Entrance Exam. Course dates are October 31, November 7, and November 14 from 9:00 to 11:30am. Class sizes are small and focus on individual attention. Sign up at [canisiushigh.org/examcourse](http://canisiushigh.org/examcourse).

### **ENTRANCE & SCHOLARSHIP EXAM *for students in grade 8***

All prospective applicants for the Class of 2025 should take the Catholic High School Entrance & Scholarship Exam on Saturday, November 21, 2020. Canisius will hold an in-person exam and have an online option for students unable to sit for the exam in-person. All students must register to take the Entrance and Scholarship Exam by completing an application for admission [HERE](#). Parents that have any questions regarding the exam may contact me directly at 716.882.0466 x205 or [weislo@canisiushigh.org](mailto:weislo@canisiushigh.org).