

Thursday, 10/08/20

Dear Parents,

- **Last chance to opt-out of School Directory:** We are once again creating a school directory - **provided only to school families**. If you would like to **opt out** of the directory please go to <https://forms.gle/ieMYjJizac8pm5pH6>. Please note that everyone will be included unless you respond otherwise. **Opt out date is 10/9/20.**
- **COVID Protocol Reminders:**
 - **Masks:** Students need to have at least 2 reusable or disposable masks with them daily. Reusable masks should be washed frequently and disposable masks worn only once.
 - **Morning temperature/wellness checks:** Parents should take the temperature of their children daily prior to arriving at school. Similarly, parents are asked to check for symptoms such as, but not limited to, sore throat, cough, headache or nausea. Please be specific when reporting a student's absence. **Masks are to be worn by everyone in a car, age 2 and over, when dropping off.**
 - **Archdiocese of Chicago Infection Protocol Guide – was sent in last week's Thursday email.**
 - **Re-opening plan was shared at the beginning of the school year and is also found on the school website.**
 - **Quarantine requirements:** CCDPH recommends a 14-day quarantine for persons entering suburban Cook County, Illinois, from states with a high incidence of COVID-19 infections. To limit potential spread of COVID-19, Cook County Department of Public Health is recommending quarantine measures for persons visiting states around the country where the incidence of COVID-19 infection is high. Any person who visited the high-incidence state for more than 24 hours is recommended to self-quarantine for 14 days after return. The Archdiocese as a whole and therefore, St. Zachary School follows this quarantine protocol. This is not for the City of Chicago alone. **Please be mindful that trips to states on the high incident state list, as updated weekly, will result in students being moved to remote learning as they quarantine for the specified period.**
 - **Please see the attachment to this email for a recent Archdiocese of Chicago update regarding COVID-19 Testing and Doctor's Note Guidance.**
- **Halloween:** Plans to celebrate Halloween in a fun and safe manner are being finalized. Costumes or black/orange attire will be allowed to be worn for the school day on Friday, October 30th. Please Note: No costume masks may be worn – daily face covering masks are still required. Accessories such as wands, weapons, etc. are not allowed. Costumes and black/orange attire must be school appropriate. No scary, bloody or gory costumes will be allowed. If you have costume questions, please contact your student's teacher or Mrs. Potenza.
- **REMINDER! School is in session on Monday, October 12th.**

Thank you for your continued support.

St. Zachary School Office

[COVID-19 Testing and Doctor's Note Guidance dated 10-2-20.pdf](#)