



A MESSAGE FROM OLGC PARISH SCHOOL

October 13, 2020

Dear OLGC School Families,

I hope this message finds you well and enjoying this Fall season! Our school has been blessed to offer in-person instruction since August 25, 2020. As ONE team we have worked together to implement the Fall [Reopening Plan](#) that has kept our staff and students healthy and safe. Your continued cooperation with the [Daily Health Screener](#) is much appreciated.

Distance Learning Plan

The faculty and staff of Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish School are committed to academic excellence - whether in the classroom or through distance learning. We have been diligently preparing for distance learning should it become necessary for any length of time during the 2020-2021 academic year. A task force was assembled in June of teachers, administrators, and parents who began reviewing survey data and recommendations from the AOD. A plan was developed and refined by our staff and teachers. OLGC hosted a "Distance Learning Day" in September to try our plan with students.

We are excited to now share [OLGC's Distance Learning Plan](#) and [Resource Page](#). It is our hope that we will not have to execute this plan; however, we are fully prepared in the event we are mandated to do so. The plan includes a blend of synchronous (live using Zoom) and asynchronous (available at any time) instruction. The blend of teaching methods will ensure that the students are engaged in direct instruction, while allowing scheduling flexibility for families.

We encourage you to watch the Seesaw (PK-2) and Google Classroom (3-8) parent tutorials as well as familiarize yourself with the Securely Web Filtering System that allows you to view your child's iPad activity. There are schedules specific to each grade level. Our teachers are confident in our ability to provide instruction tailored to meet the needs of each student.

Pre-Kindergarten

Our Pre-Kindergarten Program has the option of providing in-person instruction due to our state of Michigan child care license. We are asking all Pre-K parents to complete a survey letting us know your preference of remaining in-person in the event K-8 moves to distance learning. The Distance Learning Plan for Pre-K will be decided based on the results of the survey. For more information, please view the [following video](#).

[Pre-K Distance Learning Survey](#)

With Gratitude

A HUGE thank you to the members of our task force who analyzed Spring survey data and AOD guidelines to create a meaningful Distance Learning Plan that maintains academic excellence. Thank you to:

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OLGC Strong

We recognize the challenges distance learning may pose for our students and their families. We are prepared to work with you to overcome these challenges. With our eyes remained fixed on Jesus, I find great comfort in knowing that together, as ONE FAMILY, we will thrive despite any obstacle that may come our way this year. Our school staff remains ready to accompany you with JOY as students excel academically and grow deeper in faith.

In Christ,
Melissa Hunt, Principal

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