



ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL
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Dear Parents,

I am certain you are aware of the on-going outbreak of the Coronavirus/COVID-19 around the world. At the present time, there are no confirmed cases of the Coronavirus/COVID-19 locally, nor in the state of Kansas. However, it is our greatest priority to protect the health and wellness of the students, staff and community here at St. Joseph Catholic School. Therefore, our school will be following the guidance from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and the Kansas Department of Health and Environment to help keep our community healthy by practicing preventative measures daily.

The CDC has recommended the following everyday preventative practices to help prevent the spread of respiratory diseases:

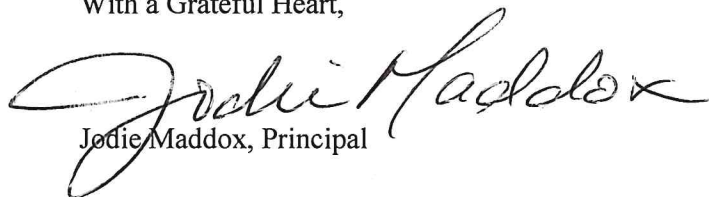
- o Stay home when you are sick. Stay home for at least 24 hours after you no longer have a fever or signs of a fever without the use of fever reducing medicines.
- o Cover your coughs and sneezes with a tissue or your sleeve.
- o Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. Use at least a 60% alcohol based hand sanitizer if soap and water are not available.
- o Clean frequently touched surfaces and objects.

You can help keep our school healthy by encouraging these practices at home. If you are interested in learning more about the Coronavirus/COVID-19 go to http://www.kdheks.gov/coronavirus/download/Novel_coronavirus_FAQ.pdf.

In addition to these practices, our custodians are misting the classrooms several times a week with a thin layer of disinfectant. This mist will disinfect contaminated surfaces and is safe for use in schools. We are also reviewing good handwashing techniques with the students.

I am monitoring this situation very closely and I will provide updates to you as needed. Thank you for your partnership in protecting the health of our students, staff and parish community.

With a Grateful Heart,


Jodie Maddox, Principal