



Monroe Catholic Elementary Schools

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Dear MCES Families,

We hope you have all had a relaxing and faith filled Easter break. We are writing to you with updates and reminders about our return to school on Monday, April 12. We will be proceeding with our plan to return to in person instruction on Monday. We know how impactful and valuable our time together is and we are focused on maintaining this.

That being said, we are also very aware of the current COVID situation in Michigan and in Monroe County. Our daily cases and our positivity rates are incredibly high right now, and more transmissible variants are present. We are mindful that this may impact our community also. We will continue to monitor any impacts the crisis may have on the health and safety of our community and on our ability to remain in person.

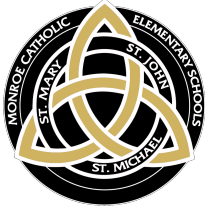
In order to help us maintain our valuable time in person, we are asking you to be even more vigilant than we have already been.

- Please practice the mitigation measures such as
 - mask wearing,
 - social distancing
 - avoiding social gatherings
 - practicing good health hygiene
 - and following quarantine requirements around Positive Covid Case identification and Close Contact identification.

- As we reenter on Monday and continue with our academic year, we are also continuing to ask that you
 - **keep your child home if he/she or anyone in your household is displaying symptoms and/or is awaiting test results**
 - **follow the travel quarantine guidelines which we have included below**

We look for your continued vigilance and support as we move into Spring and these final 8 weeks of the school year! With our faith in the Lord, and our reliance and trust in each other, we will navigate through this pandemic together.

As of the start of 4th quarter, Virtual Learning is now only available for students who have been exposed and are in quarantine, or who have tested positive. Virtual learning is also available based on the Travel Requirements listed below. **If your student(s) will be quarantined after your Easter break travel, please call their school office(s) and report your quarantine circumstances.**



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If your students are awaiting test results, have a positive test result, or are a close contact, please call the office for quarantine guidelines on Monday morning.

REMINDERS/UPDATES:

- Travel Requirements:

- **Mandatory for International Travel:**

- Students must quarantine from school/school activities for 7 days from date of return and take a PCR test on day 3 or 4 of their return, per CDC and Health Department guidelines. The quarantine period of 7 days stands regardless of negative PCR test results.
- For those who choose not to test after international travel, the recommended quarantine period is 10 days.
- Please fill out this form to let us know you will be traveling internationally so we can plan for virtual learning when you return:

<https://forms.gle/t6xY5sg6PCeJ5AGcA>

- **Recommended: Domestic Travel of Elevated Risk (engaged in **group gatherings** or traveling with **groups outside of their own household**, or **areas of elevated risk**):**

- Quarantine from school/school activities for 7 days (upon return from your trip) and test on day 3 or 4.
- For those who choose not to test after domestic travel of elevated risk, the recommended quarantine period is 10 days.

- **Quarantine Period:**

- The MDHHS and Monroe County Health Department now require 14 days of quarantining for close contacts of a positive COVID-19 case, due to the increase of cases and the prevalence of variants.

Thank you for your partnership with MCES,

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MCES Executive Principal