



MESSAGE FROM THE CURRICULUM OFFICER

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Dear Parents & Guardians,

The Catholic Board of Education aims to ensure that all our students receive a high level of curricula exposure that is consistent with national and global standards. While we know there is no substitute for face-to-face instruction, our remote learning initiative will encompass engaging teacher led lessons using the Google Classroom platform. Instruction may include group Google Meet sessions, some audio or video calls, emails, work packages and other resources to effectively engage students. In keeping with the World Health Organization's guidelines, we aim not to have students sitting in front of a screen all day, simulating a face-to-face scenario. Thus, you will note that the schedules you have received give specific times for live Google Meet sessions. However, these sessions will not run continuously as a normal school day. There will be times when students will be encouraged to explore and deepen their understanding of curricula objectives through activities that may take them in their environment to investigate, observe and problem solve.

We are committed to the success and progress of all students and have instituted measures to ensure that every student receives the assistance that is needed to meet curricula expectations. In addition to schedules developed for each grade level, all teachers will have time set aside daily to check in and communicate with students and parents to ensure that students are developing academically and effectively responding to curricula expectations. We are confident that students will thrive and excel with the initiatives instituted for remote learning within this archdiocese.

Sincerely,

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