



ST. URSULA ACADEMY

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July 1, 2020

Dear St. Ursula Academy Families:

We hope you are having a safe and enjoyable summer.

Thank you for your patience as we continue planning for the upcoming school year to ensure the safety and well-being of all students, faculty, and staff. As you can imagine, we have been collecting a variety of data to guide our decisions as they relate to the 2020-2021 school year.

We particularly want to thank you for your time and feedback on the Parent Satisfaction Survey. We had a tremendous response rate (70 percent), which speaks volumes of the partnership we have with you. Your responses to the COVID-19 questions were particularly helpful as we continue our planning process. In fact, 72 percent of respondents (parents, faculty, and staff) expressed a full return to school as their first choice for the upcoming school year.

Along with the survey results, on June 25 the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) released [COVID-19 Planning Considerations: Guidance for School Re-entry](#). According to this document, "...the AAP strongly advocates that all policy considerations for the coming school year should start with a goal of having students physically present in school."

Given SUA's mission, your feedback, and the recommendations of the AAP, our current plan is to **bring all students back to campus in person, full time, five days a week in August**. Our plan is contingent on the guidance given by Governor DeWine, which has yet to be issued. To achieve this plan, we will add new safety processes and procedures to our daily routines. Some of our safety protocols include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Physically distancing (social distancing) seating within classrooms
- Wearing face coverings
- Checking temperatures of students, faculty, and staff upon arrival
- Altering traffic flow in the hallways
- Increasing hand sanitizer stations
- Increasing cleaning and disinfecting practices

We will continue communicating our plan with you as we increase activity on campus.

Our updated Main Office summer hours, beginning July 13, are Monday–Thursday, 8:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. However, the Main Office will be open on Wednesday, July 8 from 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Although we need to be flexible as the year unfolds, our ultimate goal is to welcome the girls back in August!

Soli Deo Gloria,

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