

Coronavirus COVID-19 FAQs

Week of May 4

When will school reopen?

Based upon Governor Pritzker's Executive Order on April 17, Illinois schools will not be in session for the remainder of this school year. We will continue to take part in e-learning for the remainder of the academic term. The last day of e-learning for the Class of 2020 will be May 14th and for everyone else will be May 21st.

Will there be Final Exams?

Final Exams for the Spring 2020 Semester have been canceled. In place of final exams, teachers will have a culminating activity during the final week of classes.

How will 2nd Semester grades be determined?

Semester grades will be determined using the 3rd quarter and 4th quarter grades averaged together. The 3rd quarter will be worth 60% and the 4th quarter 40% of the final semester grade.

What will be used for the 2nd Semester grading scale?

For the 2nd semester, we will use the grading scale of A, B, Pass, & Incomplete. In essence, any semester C & D grade will be replaced with a P and receive a GPA credit of a 2.3.

How does an Incomplete Grade work?

A grade of "incomplete" can be issued to students in lieu of a failing grade. This means that students who have not stayed current with their coursework may not earn the course credit. If a student receives an incomplete as a final grade, that means the student must make up the missing assignments in a limited amount of time after the semester has ended or the incomplete will become an "F" for the course. In that case, the student would either have to attend summer school or make up the course(s) the following year. In addition, student-athletes may not be eligible to compete next year.

When will semester grades be posted?

Semester Grades will be posted on May 22 for Seniors and May 29 for Freshman, Sophomores, & Juniors. If a student receives an incomplete, they will have until June 12th to make up missing work to improve their grade before it becomes an "F".

What days are considered independent work days for students?

E-learning will not take place on April 17, 24 & May 1, 8, & 15 as these will be used as Remote Learning Planning Days for our Faculty and independent work days for our students.

Are school offices still open?

An administrator will be in the building daily to attend to essential issues, including e-Learning questions, transcript requests, & financial concerns. If you have specific questions or concerns, please feel free to email a related school employee or call the school. Main office at (630)530-3460 between 9:45am-2:15pm, Monday through Friday.

What is the status of scheduled activities and events?

The following school-sponsored events have been CANCELLED:

- ACT Test (4/4)
- Service Day (4/8)
- Prayer Service (4/8)
- Spring Art Show & Concert (4/22) *Looking at virtual options**
- Spring Musical Production (4/24-4/26)
- Recognition Awards Assembly (5/7) *will take place in the Fall 2020**
- Graduation Dinner (5/14)
- Spring Sports Seasons

We are currently **MONITORING** these events and will make decisions on whether to cancel or reschedule as more information is available:

- Seniors Last Day/Mass/Luncheon- Wednesday, July 15*
- Prom- RESCHEDULED for Thursday, July 16*
- Graduation -RESCHEDULED for Friday, July 17*

**These events are tentative based upon current recommendations from the State and Local Health Departments. We will adhere to social distancing guidelines and attendance may be limited.*

What is the status of scheduled AP Exams?

According to the College Board, students will be allowed to take a 45-minute AP exam at home using any device (i.e., computer, tablet, or smartphone). Committees are currently selecting exam questions that will include topics and skills most AP teachers and students have already covered by early March. We will send updated information as we receive it. In the meantime, please visit The College Board website for the most up to date information at www.collegeboard.org

What is the focus of IC Catholic Prep's e-Learning Platform?

Learning Never Stops at IC Catholic Prep, and our concerted focus is on "continued education" for our students. To that end, our teachers are employing creative approaches to engage students online as they would normally do in their physical classrooms. Many are using Zoom to hold virtual class meetings. Many are using social media to bring lessons to life. All of them are expected to post regularly on Google Classroom. Our Theology department is publishing a daily prayer on our website and social media channels.

Does student work count toward 4th Quarter grades?

The administration believes that any assignments completed during e-Learning should be counted toward their 4th Quarter grades because we have an ISBE approved electronic platform in place, with teachers that have been adequately trained in its implementation, and parents/guardians are still paying tuition. However, given the unprecedented nature of this pandemic, we have asked our teachers to remain flexible with due dates and understanding of individual student circumstances.

What can we do as parents/guardians to help our children with their school work?

Please check that your students are accessing Google Classroom daily and keeping up with assigned work. If you have any specific concerns about student coursework, please email individual teachers, and they will respond in a timely fashion.

Are school counselors and other support personnel available to work with students?

Yes, students and parents/guardians are encouraged to email school counselors and any other support personnel with whom they are used to working, and they will respond in a timely fashion.

Social connections are the most important part of a teen’s life. This pandemic has changed their social world and brought increased stress and challenges. Face to face contact becomes even more valuable. ICCP School Counselor Ms. Ortiz, would like to extend her support and is offering individual video chat sessions to check in with our students. [Schedule a session with Ms. Ortiz during office hours from 2:30pm-5:30pm Monday thru Friday.](#) Contact Ms. Ortiz for a different time.