

## **School Reopening Announcement Email**

**Sent on July 28, 2020**

Dear Bishop Manogue Families,

We are eager to begin the 2020/2021 school year and look forward to welcoming our Bishop Manogue family back to campus. As you prepare for your return to Bishop Manogue, we want you to be aware of some adjustments that will take place as we start the year.

### **A Hybrid Return to School**

The Board of Directors and Diocese of Reno approved the [Miner Family Return](#) reopening plan, which was sent to you earlier this month. While our top priority is to safely return to campus full time, current social distancing and capacity requirements do not allow a full student body return.

The school year will begin with the Dual Environment Learning model outlined in the plan. We will use an alternating day system, where students will virtually attend their class when it is not their assigned days on campus. We intend to use this opportunity to fine-tune our protocols, balance classes, and manage our new on-campus health and safety requirements with smaller groups of students. If state and diocesan officials allow us to reopen at full capacity, we will plan for the entire student body to return to our campus.

The Dual Environment Learning model will require everyone on campus to be in a mask. Because we will now be at 50% capacity and socially distant in the classroom, face shields are not required.

***More detailed information on exactly how the hybrid schedule, dual environment learning, and virtual orientation will work will be available within the next two weeks.***

If we are directed by state and diocesan officials to return to a full-time virtual instruction model at any point during the school year, we will comply. As a [private exempt](#) licensed school and a

[diocesan school](#). Bishop Manogue is required to follow state mandates and diocesan directives regarding school closures, health requirements, and social distancing protocols.

### **Our Commitment to Education, Community, and Student Wellbeing**

Regardless of how our Bishop Manogue Community returns to school, our students' physical, emotional, spiritual, and academic wellbeing is what matters most. Bishop Manogue is a family, and we are eager to welcome our Miners back for another school year. Our unwavering commitment to provide high-quality education, a healthy community life, and a meaningful faith experience remains strong.

### **Eliminated Parent and Student Service Hours**

While we encourage members of the Bishop Manogue community to serve and help others safely, parent and student service hours for the 2020/2021 school year will not be required.

### **Thank You**

We understand that there are many ways organizations are navigating during this pandemic. Bishop Manogue is a community built on compassion, respect, and understanding. We hope our incredible #MinerFamily will continue to support the school and our plans to welcome back our students. This community is a vital part of who we are, and we are so thankful for our extraordinary students, dedicated staff, and supportive families. Please continue to keep Bishop Manogue in your prayers and Go Miners!

Blessings,

Matthew Schambari, President

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