

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC  
**ARCHDIOCESE OF ATLANTA**

OFFICE OF CATHOLIC SCHOOLS



April 27, 2020

Dear Archdiocesan School Communities:

With the continued rise in COVID-19 cases in our state and no clear safe path for the reopening of our schools, I write today to inform you that our school buildings will remain closed through the end of the school year. The delivery of instruction to all students will continue through the end of the school year via our Virtual/Home Learning Plans.

Principals will continue to communicate with all school families regarding schedules through the last day of school.

Making this decision to close our school buildings was not an easy decision to make. However, it aligns with the communication from our Bishops that churches will remain closed through the end of May. We hope to receive more guidance and clear directions for the reopening of our school campuses. The safety of our students and our school employees will always remain our number one priority.

I again thank you for your ongoing patience and support throughout these challenging times. We could not have accomplished all that we have without the remarkable work ethic of our students and the tremendous support that they are receiving from our wonderful teachers.

Stay safe, stay strong, and know that I continue to pray for all of our school communities. Please join me in praying for the end of the spread of COVID-19, for the development of a vaccine to protect us in the future, and for comfort for all families who have suffered hardships and loss of loved ones during this difficult time.

Sincerely,

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