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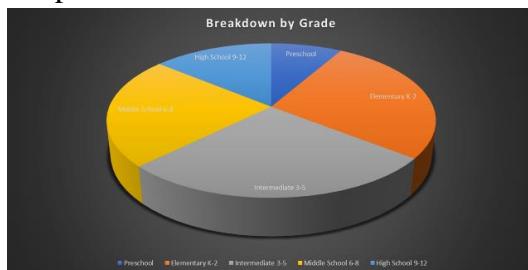
Dear Parents,

Let me begin by thanking you again for the ongoing support of your children and their teachers. The pandemic has tested and strengthened the home/school partnership in Catholic education. I am confident we will emerge stronger, more resilient and better equipped for what may come in the 2020-2021 academic year and beyond because of what we have overcome together since March 13, 2020.

Two weeks ago, many of you responded to a survey that came from the Office of Catholic Schools. Individual schools have received copies of the raw data that they will use locally to continue to refine blended learning strategies and plan for the future. Below, you will find a synopsis of the results.

### Survey takeaways (Diocesan-wide)

Respondents: **4457**

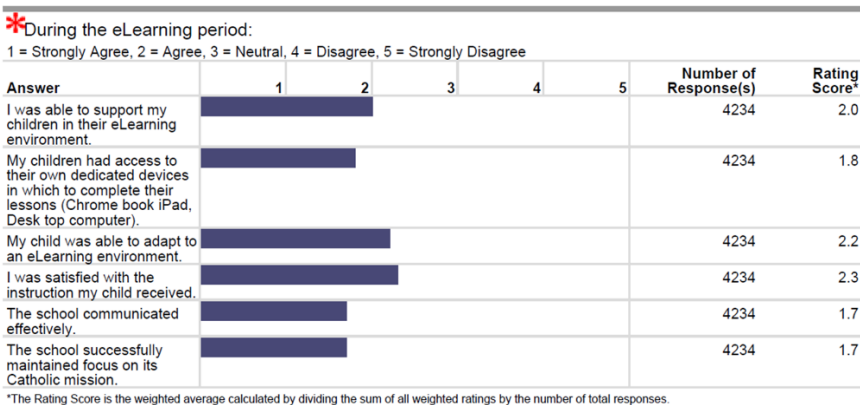


Accessibility to computers/internet: **93.6%** reported adequate to very strong

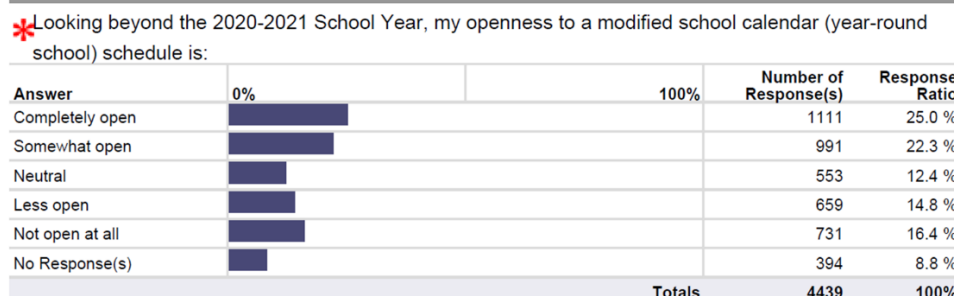
| *My family's Internet/WiFi connectivity situation is: |    |      |                            |
|---|----|------|----------------------------|
| Answer  | 0% | 100% |                            |
| Non-existent  |    |      | Number of Response(s)<br>9 |
| Weak  |    |      | Response Ratio<br><1 %     |
| Adequate  |    |      | 72<br>1.6 %                |
| Strong  |    |      | 780<br>17.5 %              |
| Very Strong   |    |      | 1627<br>36.6 %             |
| No Response(s)  |    |      | 1755<br>39.5 %             |
|   |    |      | 196<br>4.4 %               |
| Totals  |    |      | 4439<br>100%               |

Ability to support e-learning: **91%** positive

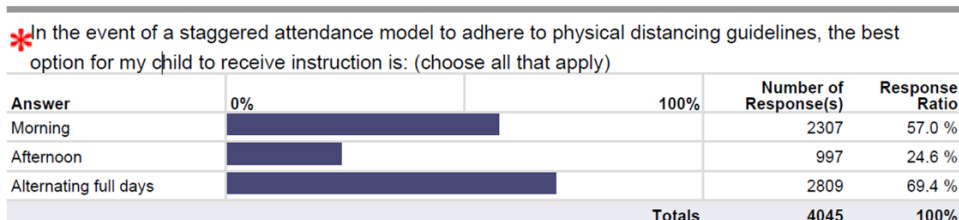
Schools ability to maintain community and faith during distance learning: **95%** positive



Openness to a modified school calendar: **59%**



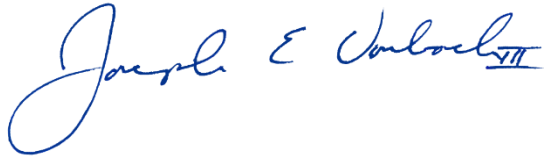
Preferred schedule (if we have to move to distance learning): Mornings or alternate days



You indicated that you would like to see professional development for teachers to improve online teaching practices and we are providing targeted training to teachers this summer for that purpose. We are also moving forward with the first phase implementation of unified learning management system for our schools

The clear message that came from all of you, regardless of location, was that you want schools to be open and safe. This is our desire as well. Guided by CDC as well as state and local public health authorities, we will be ready to welcome students back to school when permitted.

Sincerely Yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Joseph E. Vorbach III". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "J".

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Superintendent of Schools