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Good evening St. Edward Families,

Our wonderful staff is back and we are looking forward to getting the students back in the classrooms.

Locker Night for 3k, and K-5th will be on Tuesday, August 24th. In order to keep everyone safe, we ask families with last names beginning A-L come between 4-5pm and families with last names beginning M-Z come between 5-6pm. We ask that you spend only 5 minutes in school. The bathrooms and office will not be open. You can drop your forms and payments off with Mrs. Schuh who will be by the South door as you leave. Thank you in advance for making this a great night.

Locker Night for 4K families will be on Monday, August 30th. Families can come between 4-5pm. We ask that you limit the amount of time to around 5 minutes, so the room is not overcrowded.

With the Delta Variant spreading, we are entering an unknown for the fall. We are currently staying with masks being optional. However, the office of Catholic Schools will require masks to be worn if a school has over 10% of the total student body with a positive COVID-19 test. Masks will continue to be required until the school achieves an infection rate of less than 5%.

Students need to quarantine for a minimum of 10 days, preferably 14 days, after last contact with a person who has COVID-19 if they were in close contact with that person (within 6 feet of someone for a cumulative total of 15 minutes or more over a 24 hour period), unless the student has been fully vaccinated or has had COVID-19 within the past 90 days. If someone in your immediate household has tested positive for COVID-19 we will ask that the student quarantine for 14 days and possibly longer if your student is not isolating away from the positive person.

Families will need to monitor student's symptoms at home each morning. Please do not send your student to school if they have any of these symptoms:

- Temperature 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit or higher
- Sore throat and/or runny nose together or with another symptom
- New uncontrolled cough
- Diarrhea, vomiting, or abdominal pain
- New onset of severe headache, especially with a fever

Students at school with any of the above symptoms will be moved to a designated safe area at the school until a parent/caregiver can pick up the student.

Students with the above symptoms may not return to school until symptom-free for at least 24 hours without fever reducing medications. We may ask that you test your child before returning.

Visitors are not allowed in school while Outagamie County has a high transmission rate. Students will be dropped off at the front door and escorted to their classrooms as needed. We will have essential volunteers in the lunchroom and on the playground.

St. Edward School will continue to clean high surface areas more often, only allow the water fountain to be used as a bottle filler, limit close contact between classes, and keep you as informed as possible as things change.

Just a reminder that students in K-5th grade begin school on Thursday, August 26th. Students should be in their classrooms before the bell rings at 7:45am. Our first Mass is on Friday, August 27th at 8:15am. Students need to be dressed in dress clothes and please do not send them in shorts for Mass. They can bring clothes to change into after Mass. Tennis shoes or dress shoes are okay for Mass, but tennis shoes must be worn at any other time. Don't forget to send a non-spillable water bottle with their name on it to school.

3K and 4K begin school on Wednesday, September 1st. Students will be dropped off with a staff member at the front door and we will help them to their classrooms. Students in 3k begin school at 8am and students in 4k begin at 7:45am this year. Please be sure they are wearing tennis shoes at all times. Don't forget to send a non-spillable water bottle with their name on it to school.

We are happy to announce we are in the process of hiring a new cook. Once it becomes official, I will announce her name! She is unable to start until September 13th. So that means that for the first two plus weeks of school, we will be having the students bring a cold lunch every day. Milk will be available for snack and lunch. There will not be a microwave, so be sure lunches are not only healthy, but ready to eat.

One last reminder is about picking up at the end of the day. All students need to be released to their parents. We will not allow any students regardless of their grade level, to walk across the parking lot or walk to any vehicle. Please exit your vehicle and come pick up your student. This is for your students' safety, as well as for our own liability. Thank you for understanding.

We look forward to seeing everyone soon!

God Bless,

Renee Cowart