



Dear Parents,

Teachers have been working tirelessly this week to lead their class on this eLearning adventure, starting Monday, March 30th. I can't tell you how many teachers have expressed how much they miss their students. The school feels VERY empty without them.

Before I give you more information (I know it's like drinking from a firehose!), Mr. Bridges and I want to express to you our thoughts and expectations for our entire community. We are feeling anxiety from both parents and teachers. Our expectation is that everyone try their best. The virtue of this season is "Mercy." Let's be merciful with others, but especially ourselves. These are trying times, and we are grasping to maintain normality.

Tomorrow, you will be receiving student materials, login information, teacher letters, etc. However, we urge you to keep it all in mind as we start next week. NONE of us is going to be an eLearning expert on Monday. We will stick one toe gently in the water, then step a little further each day. Parents, your main job is to help your children feel safe, happy and loved. As long as we each make our best effort, Trinity Catholic eLearning is going to be an amazing experience for each and every student and family. God is with us and will give us what we need each day.... We got this!!

Communication and Updates:

We have heard from some parents that they are not receiving the updates from Trinity. Make sure you check your spam folder. If you still can't find our emails, let us know and we can confirm that you are on the email list. Also, note that all updates are posted on the school website: <https://www.trinityknights.org/site/Default.aspx?PageID=793>

eLearning Student Pledge:

Please communicate with your child's Homeroom teacher that they have read and accept the eLearning Student Pledge by Monday, March 30th. Depending on the grade level: Sign, scan and submit through Google Classroom; sign and send a picture of the pledge to the teacher; or, parents can email the Homeroom teacher that their child understands what is expected of them. Middle School students must submit to the Homeroom teacher by 12:30 p.m., as that will be their attendance for the day.

Daily Attendance:

Homeroom teachers will be taking attendance daily. Attendance for PreK-5th Grade can be shown by attending live sessions, posting assignments on Google Classroom, or emailing teachers to let them know that your child is completing school work that day. Attendance in Middle School will take place between 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. MS Homeroom teachers will post a question on Google Classroom that students must answer. Teachers will post attendance on PowerSchool by 3:00 p.m., daily. If your child is unable to participate, please contact your child's Homeroom teacher, ASAP. For all students marked absent, an automated call will be made each evening to inform you of their absence. No action needs to be taken, unless they were marked absent by mistake.

Distribution of Materials:

Just a reminder that the distribution of materials is tomorrow, Friday, March 27th. Please follow the instructions in yesterday's letter.

Chromebooks:

If you do not think that the device/s you have at home will meet the needs for eLearning, please let us know. The school has a limited number of Chromebooks that we can check out during this time. If you need to check out a school Chromebook, please email bechtols@trinityknights.org.

Mass and Prayer:

In response to the ongoing coronavirus pandemic, Pope Francis said he will give an extraordinary blessing "urbi et orbi" (to the city and the world) at 1pm EST, tomorrow, March 27, 2020.

Click "watch" upper left corner: <http://www.catholictv.org/shows/papal-programming>

Beginning next Wednesday, April 1st, we will be streaming school Masses each Wednesday. All students are encouraged to attend. Live stream Daily 8:30 a.m. Mass can be viewed on the Blessed Sacrament Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/BSC_Tallahassee/.

Campus Cuisine:

Campus Cuisine is cancelling lunches and issuing credit to parents who purchased lunches during our school closure.

We are praying for you and your family!

Blessings,

Tommy Bridges
Principal

Stephanie Bechtol
Assistant Principal