Tuesday, June 25, 2020

Dear All Saints Catholic School Family,

       I hope you are staying safe.  *Una copia de este mensaje en espanol se encuentra al fin de este email.*

      Per Governor Northam's announcement that Virginia will move into Phase 3 on July 1, we are pleased to announce that All Saints Catholic School will be reopening for students as planned on Monday, August 24.   A copy of our Office of Catholic Schools Superintendent memo announcing the re-opening on behalf of all Catholic Schools in the Diocese of Richmond is attached.

      Now comes the important work of making sure All Saints reopens in a safe and responsible manner.

     Therefore, we are establishing a "Covid-19 Reopening Team" to help us make sure we stay safe and so that we continue to offer a robust learning experience.  The ad-hoc team will be made up of All Saints staff, faculty, and parent volunteers.  We will be meeting via Zoom weekly on Tuesdays from 3-4pm on the following dates:  Tuesday - July 7, July 14, July 21, July 28, Aug 4, & Aug 11.

       This email serves as an open invitation for you, the parents, to join the team.

       If you accept this invitation, you will be assigned one of the following teams/committees: "1) Prep & response, 2)  Academic Instruction, 3) Furniture/Facilities, 4) Sanitation Training, 5) Sanitation supplies, 6) Coordination for future long-term closures, 7) Technology, & 8) Mental health".   If you think you could fit into one of those teams/committees,  please **email Ms. Wikita Coleman at****wcoleman@allsaintsric.org****before July 2.**   Please include which of the 8 aforementioned teams you would like to join.    Feel free to rank more than one choice of team.  And, if you want to participate, but don't have a team preference, please indicate this as well.

      Please note: 1) Depending on the popularity of the committees, we may need to reassign interested members to help keep teams balanced. 2) Be patient... this is another one of those, "we are building a plane while we are flying it" type things.  3)  If you are not able to accept the invitation, then please do not respond... please, only let us know if you want to/are able to join.

      All told, I was impressed with the Class of 2020 drive-in graduation ceremony.  That 10 person team pulled off an amazing event!   This reopening is also going to take a large team effort that requires enthusiasm and a "can-do" spirit.  The All Saints family has done an incredible job already adapting to Covid-19.  This new team is just another step in the right direction.  Thanks for your consideration.

With all the saints,

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