

Blessed Sacrament School



Dear BSS Parents/Guardians:

To address any concerns regarding the abrupt disruption of your child's education due to school closures, the Diocese of Orange has requested that each school transition to distance learning until further notice. For the middle school grades at BSS, we have decided to continue the use of the Google Classroom platform as the main source for communicating all distance learning assignments. Your child should already have access to all of his/her virtual subject classrooms. Math access codes were sent yesterday as an invitation or email.

Each teacher will post the assignments for his/her subjects in the appropriate virtual subject classroom with instructions and due dates. Please let us know if there are any glitches. Our distance learning platform will evolve as the situation may change.

In order to complete future assignments, your child will need to have his/her school Chromebook (or other internet device) and religion print textbook at home. Eighth-grade students should already have taken home a copy of *To Kill a Mockingbird*, and sixth-grade students a copy of *Tuck Everlasting*. Seventh-grade students will have access to an online PDF of *The Giver*. We will be using the online textbooks and resources for math, English language arts, science, and history as usual. Physical education, coding, art, and other instruction will also be provided. Any necessary art supplies have already been provided. For all subjects, we may also enhance instruction with optional group video conferences.

We will be communicating with the parents on a regular basis. We will make every reasonable effort to respond to your emails in a timely manner. In addition, we will be offering the following virtual "office hours" every school day to answer and address your questions and concerns as immediately as possible:

8:00 A.M. - 10:00 A.M. Mrs. Shaw (Rel. 7, ELA 7, Sci. 6-8) and
Mrs. Pitoniak (Advanced Math 6-8)

9:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M. Mr. Seibert (Rel. 8, ELA 8, Regular Math 6-8)

10:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M. Mrs. Prerost (Rel. 6, ELA 6, Hist./SS 6-8) and
Mr. Bryant (Coding/P.E./Misc.)

We understand that you may have some concerns at this time. We for our part will try our best to be flexible and accommodate your family situation as needed. Please communicate your concerns with the appropriate subject teachers listed below and inform them of any special situations which should warrant their attention. In addition, please fill out the following short survey at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/9GZQFH7> in order to help us coordinate our efforts and serve you better.

“The Lord keeps watch over you as you come and go, both now and forever.” PSALM 121:8

God bless,

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