Blessed Sacrament School

"Act justly, love tenderly, and walk humbly with God." - Micah 6:8



Dear BSS Early Childhood Families,

We pray this letter finds you and your family well. We thank you for your patience during these unprecedented times. We are pleased to announce that the Blessed Sacrament Early Childhood Program will be opening its doors for on-campus instruction beginning September 3, 2020. At the present time, our Pre-School program will not be providing the option #3 pick-up of 6pm. Pre-School hours will be from 7:30am to 2:30pm. Families are welcome to select Options #1 and #2. Please notify us if Option #3 is your preferred option as we are currently putting together a waiting list.

At this time, we are only accepting students 3 and 4 years of age. At this time, our classroom capacity has been altered and we will only be accepting 12 students per classroom. Therefore, limited space is available. With the small classroom sizes, BSS will be able to ensure physical distancing among the students. We hope to re-open our 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ year-old program in the future.

Below you will find our most updated guidelines that have been put in place as we move forward with our Early Childhood Program.

- Limited students in each classroom (only 12 students per room)
- Daily temperature check upon arrival and departure
- Students will be guided by a BSS staff member to wash their hands with soap and water before entering the classroom. A frequent hand-washing schedule will be implemented throughout the day.
- All teachers, staff, and students will be required to wear a face covering.
- No community sharing of supplies
 - Pencil boxes will be required for student supplies, such as crayons, pencils, markers, etc.
 - Personalized boxes with individualized manipulatives, such as Legos, blocks, etc. will be provided
 - Students will use individualized cubbies for personal items
- Collaborative tables have been removed and individual student desks have been put in place to allow for physical distancing
- Each student's desk will include a desk shield
- Parents or guardians will not be permitted in the classrooms
- Carline drop-off and pick-up will be required (parents/guardians must wear a face mask at time of pick-up and drop off)
- Scheduled cleaning will be performed on all high traffic surface areas throughout the day
- Deep cleaning and disinfecting will be performed every night on all areas and all touched surfaces

- Environmentally safe products will be used
- The playground will be cleaned and disinfected between each classroom use.
- Children who start to feel ill or are experiencing symptoms of respiratory illness including a fever of >100.4F will be separated in the isolation room until parents pick-up.
- All teachers and staff will receive CDC Healthy Schools Training for Covid-19

Please note that the guidelines listed above are a brief outline of the precautions that BSS is taking to ensure the safety of students and staff. Additional safety plans are still in the works and will be added to the parent/student handbook as soon as possible. In the meantime, the Covid Taskforce Team continues to meet to discuss, plan, and implement all the necessary guidelines set forth by the state health officials and the Diocese of Orange.

As new information comes forth, BSS will adapt as necessary for the safety of our students and staff. In addition, we will continue to monitor the situation and keep you informed with any new changes or updates.

As always, thank you for your continuous support, love, and prayers.

Yours in Christ, Dr. Castillo, Principal

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