

Dear Students, Parents, and Guardians,

I hope you were able to get out to enjoy yesterday's beautiful weather. It's so important that we give ourselves opportunities to spend time outside to help sustain our minds, bodies, and spirits during these times of distance and isolation.

I know our school community is experiencing varying levels of ease when it comes to the transition to online learning. This has been a huge and unanticipated change for all of us, and we ask that you continue sending us your feedback about things that are working for you and areas of challenge. The Leadership Team, Faculty, and Staff are committed to making every effort to assure that students have what they need to succeed throughout the duration of at-home learning.

**Per Governor DeWine's directives in this afternoon's press conference, on-campus classes and school events will be canceled through Friday, May 1, during which time online learning will continue.** We are ready, well-positioned, and committed to carrying on with online learning in the most effective ways possible. Unlike many schools throughout the country, we have been able to continue moving through the curriculum in all of our courses in order to assure that student learning continues.

We are also very conscious of our need to maintain connection and tend to the physical and spiritual health and well-being of our Magnificat community. To that end, I want to draw your attention to two new sections on our [Coronavirus Response webpage](#) — **Spiritual Resources** and **Community Resources**. The Spiritual Resources section features prayers written for these times by VP of Mission Sr. Helen Jean Jovy, HM and Assistant VP of Mission Ms. Katie Higgins, and there will also be a weekly reflection posted each Thursday for the foreseeable future. The Community Resources section contains information about organizations and companies that are providing relief services for families in need of food and other immediate supplies. This section will continue to grow as we hear of more community services that we believe can help our families.

We will also be starting **Wellness Wednesdays** this week to provide students, families, and faculty/staff with tips and resources from our Student Life, Counseling, and Campus Ministry departments. Keep your eyes on your social media feeds this week for the first edition of this endeavor!

We have been contacted by several alumnae in the medical field with requests for donations given the PPE that is needed so desperately in our hospitals right now, and we have donated gloves, disinfectant wipes, and hand sanitizer thus far in an effort to help curb the spread of the virus.

This past week would have been our annual National Honor Society induction ceremony. I congratulate all of the 65 members of the junior class who have now joined the ranks of Magnificat National Honor Society members. We are so proud of your achievements and commitment to the NHS values of Scholarship, Leadership, Service, and Character!

Each of you continue to be in my daily prayers. I pray that you and your loved ones are healthy, safe, and finding connection and strength in one another. Although we are apart, we are united in our common experience and our deep faith that there are brighter days and times ahead. Please do not hesitate to reach out with anything you need or any questions you have as we continue to navigate the path forward.

In the Spirit of Mary's *Magnificat*,  
Maira Clark '77  
President