



Cardinal **GIBBONS** High School

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Parents,

Thank you for your continued patience and commitment to Cardinal Gibbons. Your support and cooperation has been instrumental in the success of our first semester.

I want to inform you that Cardinal Gibbons will offer two models of learning for the second semester, which will begin on **Monday, Jan. 4**. The two options are as follows:

- Five (5) days of On-Campus Instruction
- Five (5) days of 100% Virtual Learning

Please complete the survey sent to you via email to indicate which model your child(ren) will be participating in for the second semester.

Please note, the answer you provide to this survey will serve as your FINAL decision on whether you would like your child(ren) to participate in five (5) days of in-person learning OR five (5) days of virtual learning each week. This plan is contingent upon space availability.

This decision will be locked in for the entirety of the 3rd quarter, ending on March 19. We will once again re-evaluate our situation at that time.

The deadline to submit the survey with your final choice of instruction is **Monday, Dec. 14 at 11:59 p.m.** No surveys will be accepted after the deadline. Families who do not submit a survey prior to the deadline will automatically have their child(ren) opted-in to 100% virtual learning. Please note that due to the logistics of this undertaking, no exceptions will be made.

We encourage each family to carefully consider both models before making a selection. We want each family to feel confident that their selection is what best fits the needs of their child(ren).

Please be advised that if a student opts-in to five days of on-campus instruction, but later feels uncomfortable on campus, they will be able to switch to 100% virtual learning. However, this is currently the only opportunity for

students to opt-in to in-person learning, meaning that students will not be allowed to transition to in-person learning if they begin the quarter virtually.

Information regarding IDs, school pictures, uniforms, Campus Store hours, parking, transportation and second-semester schedules is forthcoming and will be provided in a separate email. Please refrain from contacting the Main Office with inquiries regarding these topics as this information will be shared with you as soon as it is finalized.

Families who have not yet completed the required documentation from the Student/Parent Handbook will be reminded via DocuSign. **These forms MUST be submitted by Monday, Dec. 28.** Any students who have not completed this task by the deadline will be reverted to virtual instruction.

Attached you will find an updated version of the school's reopening plan to assist you in making your decisions as well as the Archdiocese of Miami travel form for any travel outside of South Florida. Any students traveling must complete this form prior to departure and submit it to Dean Puryear (puryear@cghsfl.org).

Lastly, we recognize and appreciate all of your support and patience during these unprecedented times. This next stage in facilitating this transition to five (5) consecutive days of instruction will require a distinct level of commitment to Cardinal Gibbons. In particular, adhering to the policies and protocols of the school and the Archdiocese of Miami. This includes a level of responsibility on the part of parents and students to maintain behavioral expectations that are conscious of the health, safety, and welfare of their families and all of the families of Cardinal Gibbons. Actions that are detrimental to the school's moral responsibility to keep everyone safe may compromise parental cooperation as outlined in the Parent-Student Handbook.

Parents, we have heard your concerns and we look forward to having our students on campus in a consistent fashion, but your efforts are essential to properly carrying out this course of action. Please hold yourselves and your child(ren) accountable so that we may continue to overcome the plight in our midst.

In this week, particularly dedicated to Mary and today's Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, may we ask her for her intercession and protection for the Cardinal Gibbons family and peace and mercy to all those who are currently afflicted or have succumbed to COVID-19.

Sincerely,

Oscar Cedeño
Principal