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Dear Cardinal Gibbons families,

As we prepare to begin a much-needed and well-deserved Thanksgiving break that will allow us to refresh and give thanks for everything we have in the midst of chaos, I'd like to provide you with some updates for the month of December.

Due to the anticipated volume of travel during the Thanksgiving break, all Cardinal Gibbons students will participate in virtual learning from Monday, Nov. 30 through Wednesday, Dec. 2. In-person instruction will resume on Thursday, Dec. 3, for Red Group students and on Friday, Dec. 4 for Grey Group students.

Attached you will find further information from the Archdiocese of Miami for families choosing to travel out of South Florida and steps that need to be taken prior to returning to campus, as well as a letter from Dr. Kim Pryzbylski, Superintendent of Schools for the Archdiocese of Miami, regarding the Thanksgiving holiday.

As we approach the end of the first semester, please note that our exam schedule has also been finalized and will be posted on our official school calendar, which can be found on the Cardinal Gibbons website. Midterm exams will be given on two days, Thursday, Dec. 17, and Friday, Dec. 18. Both of these exam days will be virtual instruction only.

I also want to take this opportunity to reiterate my sentiments from my last communication to our families. As a Catholic school, we are doing everything possible to promote the health and safety of our students and employees alike because it is our moral obligation to do so. The safety of your child has always been and always will be our number one priority. As I shared before, we have had no spread of COVID-19 on campus, thanks to our current protocols and the efforts of the entire Cardinal Gibbons community.

Lastly, please know that we are working diligently to lay the groundwork for our return from Christmas Break in January. Planning has been ongoing to prepare for a multitude of possibilities, dependent on the rates of positive COVID cases within our community through the holidays. Our students' and employees' safety and the

continuity of the education we offer have been at the forefront of our planning efforts.

I am certain that you and your son or daughter are anxious, but please understand that it is far too early to make any final determinations, particularly in dealing with the fluid situation that is this COVID-19 pandemic. However, you will be notified immediately once a decision regarding our operations for January has been made.

I ask and implore you and your families to act prudently during this Thanksgiving Break to help curb the growing trend of positive transmissions. We must all continue to act responsibly to ensure the safety of our Cardinal Gibbons family.

Thank you for your continued patience and prayers — both of which are much needed and appreciated during these trying times. I wish each of you and your families a peaceful and blessed Thanksgiving.

Sincerely,

Oscar Cedeño

Principal