



St. Coletta Day School of Milwaukee

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Weekly Update: 03/03/2021

DATES TO REMEMBER / CALENDAR REMINDERS -

March 12: No School - Teacher work day

March 12: Yearbook orders due to St. Sebastian School office

March 26: No School - Teacher work day

April 1: iPad Drop off - 3:45PM to 5:00PM

April 2-9: No School - Spring Break

STUDENT JOB LIST (3-1-2021 thru 3-12-2021)

Meeting Leader - Sadie

Calendar Reporter - Khloe

Weather Reporter - Janay

Lunch Reporter - CJ

Spanish Word of the Day - Dominik

Job Helper - Austin



iPAD DROP OFF - APRIL 1, 2021 FROM 3:45pm TO 5:00PM

As we get closer to our Spring Break, we will make arrangements once again to collect the student iPads for updating and cleaning. That will be Thursday, April 1 for iPad drop-off. **NO FOOLING!!** Plan on dropping off your student's iPad between 3:45-5:00. Once again, we will have someone outside (weather permitting) to collect the iPad, charger and cord. Please have those items in the dark blue bag that we provided for you. It helps us to keep the iPads organized and easily identified. We will let you know when you will be able to retrieve the iPad so that you have it for school on Monday, April 12.

YEARBOOK ORDERS - DUE BY FRIDAY, MARCH 12th, 2021

Yearbook order blanks will be sent out in the mail this week. The price is \$14. **Orders are due to the St. Sebastian school office by March 12th!** Cash or checks/money orders payable to St. Sebastian School.

OUR PLAN FOR MOVING FORWARD

As I continue to work on our Reopening Plan, I want to remind everyone that at this time we do not have a reopening date in mind. There are many things that need to be in place before that happens. One very good thing that happened this week is that teachers are finally able to sign up and receive the CoVID vaccine. Mind you, our teachers are among thousands of other teachers in the Milwaukee area who are doing the same thing. And this is dose number one. After a period of at least 2 weeks, they will be eligible for the second dose. Be patient... this will still take some time.

Other considerations are the preparations that need to happen in the school rooms that St. Coletta occupies. And then, the staff will need training on all of the procedures that are in place within the building. St. Sebastian School has done a good job of preparing the building for in-person instruction. We will need to follow their lead.

An addendum has been added to the St. Sebastian Reopening Plan that includes aspects of St. Coletta students and staff returning to the building. This addendum needs to be approved by the Milwaukee Health Department as we move forward. Our students will need to learn new ways of navigating around the building. This includes a new drop-off and pick-up procedure which will need to be strictly followed. Likewise, all of the procedures that are established throughout the building will also need to be strictly followed. Our students will need to wear a mask the entire time that they are in the building. This alone will be quite an adjustment for our students.

I mention all of this because it will important and necessary that we follow all of the rules that are in place. Following a routine now, while at home, is very important. That is why we have structured our Virtual Learning scenario as strictly as we have. Something that you can do to help prepare our students is to have them wear their masks now when they are not on camera. Pace out the mask wearing starting with an hour and increasing over the next few weeks so they are able to tolerate a 7-hour period.

ATTENDANCE

We are in the process of making some changes in our attendance policy and procedure. When it is finalized, you will receive a copy.

It is also important to remind everyone that all absences due to an appointment will be recorded as an unexcused absence/tardy **until** an “excuse for school” is provided from the health provider (ie. Doctor, Dentist, Therapist etc.). Once “an excuse for school” from the health provider is on file, the absence will be updated to an excused absence/tardy.

Per our Board approved Attendance Policy and the State of WI a student who is absent from school for part or all of five or more days on which school is held, **without an acceptable excuse**, is considered a habitual truant [WI Statute, Section 118.16(1)(a)].

Inspiration: "The most common way people give up their power is by thinking they don't have any." –Alice Wa