




# CHRIST THE KING CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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Dear CTK Families,

This letter is an update on our school's plans for the 2020-21 school year. While the regulations from the CDC, Arkansas Department of Health, and the Diocese may change in the next seven weeks, we are making plans for August 12<sup>th</sup> based on the guidelines currently in place. Adjustments will be made to these plans as needed moving forward.

There is still a lot we do not know about the fall. While we do plan to start in person classes on August 12, 2020, we do not know if a resurgence of the virus will keep us from finishing the semester in person. What we DO know is that learning will look different this fall than it has in the past. The faculty and staff at Christ the King are determined to do our best to make this transition in our learning as easy as possible for our families. We will be offering blended learning and virtual learning this school year. I know the terms are a bit confusing, so I wanted to explain what that means and what it will look like here at Christ the King.

**Blended Learning**-Blended learning means that we will offer face to face instruction AND distance learning to all students. How does that work? Teachers will teach in a normal classroom setting with students and the lessons they teach will be videoed. This will allow you to choose to send your child on days they are healthy and the flexibility to keep them home when they are sick without missing a day of school. Blended learning will also be beneficial if you (or someone in your family) is exposed to COVID-19 and needs to quarantine for 14 days. This is the best plan moving forward to ensure all students have access to classroom learning.

**Virtual Learning**-Virtual learning will not include face to face instruction. Families who choose virtual learning will continue with distance learning only. While blended learning offers the availability to move from distance learning to in class instruction, virtual learning will not. If your family is interested in virtual learning only, please contact me directly about this option.

In other campus news, we are upgrading our cleaning methods here at the school and purchasing a new system for touchless cleaning in our restrooms and the cafeteria. Research has proven that touchless cleaning systems remove bacteria and viruses when contact cleaning often only spreads them around. I am excited about being able to use this system and feel it is an improvement in the overall healthy environment of our school that adds an extra layer of protection against the spread of COVID-19 and other viruses.

God bless you and Christ the King School,

Myndi Keyton  
Principal

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