

# September 2020

## St. Michael's Catholic Academy Face to Face

- Grade Kindergarten through grade 5 remain self-contained
- Grades 6,7,8, are departmental where teachers change
- Dual Language Teachers change classes
- All classes are divided into smaller learning "Cohorts"
- All Cohorts are "static" groups-little or no interchanging
- Opening Plan has been approved by the Diocese and submitted to NYS
- Board of Health has approved holding area and medical room
- Preparations:
  - Touchless hand sanitizers are installed in all rooms and entrances of the school
  - Tables are removed from the classrooms and replaced with individual desks
  - Maximum student capacity is 15 in each class BUT most if not all are less t
  - Professionally cleaned next week
  - Professionally sanitized the last week of August
  - Students eat in their classrooms
  - No sharing of books or supplies (no classroom libraries, pencils, toys, etc)
  - Bathroom schedule for cleaning throughout the day
  - A fogger has been purchased to sanitize surfaces that are frequently touched through the school day. Nightly sanitization
  - Masks, gloves, thermometers have been bought

\* To stay open: the percentage of positive cases in NYC must be less than 3% in a 7 day rolling period

\* Parents are asked to take their children's temperature each morning and screening will occur again at school.

What will remain the same: Google Classroom/ Classroom DOJO/Option C

What will change: No Communication Folders until further notice; Uniforms

**NO SCHOOL IN THE DIOCESE IS PERMITTED TO HAVE BOTH FACE TO FACE AND DISTANCE LEARNING**

## **St. Thomas Aquinas Online Catholic Academy**

- **More parent information will be available this week**
- **Teachers are from the Diocese and not St. Michael's Academy**
- **There is a principal to oversee the academy**
- **Students will remain part of St. Michael's Catholic Academy**
- **Uniforms ?-I will speak to the Diocese**
- **Students will use Google Classroom**
- **Tuition remains the same to St. Michael's Catholic Academy**
- **It is hoped that students remain enrolled for the year, however, the minimum enrollment is one trimester (December)**