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Dear Holy Cross Catholic School Families and Community,

Late last night, Governor Whitmer issued an [execute order to close all public and private schools](#) through April 6 due to COVID-19 concerns. The AOD Office of Catholic Schools has been in contact early this morning with government officials, the Michigan Catholic Conference (MCC), and the Michigan Association of Non-Public Schools (MANS) to discuss our approach forward. **Please read the following [letter](#) from our AOD Office of Catholic Schools superintendent, Kevin Kijewski.**

As I shared yesterday, the staff and I will be meeting today to prepare, finalize, and begin to implement distance education plans; as well as having a crew in to deep clean our school buildings. As of right now, we will be returning to school on April 6, 2020. I have been advised to make the necessary calendar adjustments to move our Easter Break to comport to the request made by the governor. It is imperative that all schools adhere to this important request (both public and private).

I will be sending communication through my email, as currently SchoolSpeak is experiencing some extreme delays in delivery; as was experienced yesterday. I apologize that many of you experienced a delay in receiving both of yesterday's COVID-19 updates from me. I received a notification late yesterday of SchoolSpeak's current technical difficulties.

Please know that Holy Cross Catholic School is in regular contact with the AOD Office of Catholic Schools, St. Clair County Health Department, and Michigan Department of Education. If and when additional developments occur regarding Governor Whitmer's executive order, or with the Coronavirus situation, I'll ensure that we communicate them in a timely way with you accompanied by additional guidance.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Betsy Davenport  
Principal

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