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Dear Parents and Guardians,

The Catholic Schools Office continues their commitment to ensuring the safety and well-being of our students. I would like to provide an important update about coronavirus (COVID-19).

Governor Larry Hogan and Dr. Karen Salmon, state superintendent of Schools, announced the closure of all Maryland public schools from Monday, March 16 through March 27, 2020. Therefore, all archdiocesan Catholic schools and early learning centers (ELC) in Maryland, also will be closed, effectively March 16, 2020 through March 27, 2020. Because this continues to be a fluid situation, please continue to listen to local news reports and obtain information from your school principal or ELC director.

Assignments will be provided by the school to continue student learning. Please check the school's website or other communications for further details.

Thank you for your continued support to maintain a safe and healthy environment for our students and staff.

Sincerely in Christ,

William H. Ryan, III Secretary for Catholic Schools