



DIVINE WISDOM CATHOLIC ACADEMY

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Miriam Bonici
Principal

Dear Families,

Linda Keppel
Associate Principal

In just a matter of weeks we will be returning to school during an unprecedented time of our lives, never before have we been physically out of school for six months. There are many uncertainties in our lives but one thing we can all agree on is the importance of having our children return to school whether in person or remotely in order to get back to the business of learning.

Sylvia Rocca
Early Childhood Director

The purpose of this letter is to inform you of the opening school procedures for students entering grades one through eight. Here at the **Academy** we strive to keep the lines of communication open, you will receive weekly updates through the **Academy Happenings email blast**. Newsletters from your child's teacher weekly, in grades Nursery through grade 4 and biweekly in grades five through eight will keep you informed of classroom happenings. You will receive these electronically. In the Back to School Folder on our website you will find the Family Handbook as well as the COVID-19 Supplementary Handbook.. These handbooks have been prepared as a source of information serving as an introduction and guide to our **Academy** goals, policies and procedures. **Please note the modifications in policies that were made this year.** It is our hope that you find this a helpful resource that you can easily reference. Your familiarity with the handbook will greatly improve communication between the **Academy** and your family.

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Divine Wisdom Catholic Academy will be hosting Back to School Night on Wednesday, September 16, 2020 at 6:00 pm through a Zoom meeting. The link will be emailed to you at a later time. This will be an opportunity for you to meet your children's teachers. It is one of the best ways to begin building the home- school connection that is essential for academic success. You will receive a detailed correspondence including the meeting agenda the first week of school.

One of my favorite quotes comes from the author, Elizabeth Stone who wrote, "***The decision to have a child... it's momentous. It is to decide forever to have your heart go walking outside your body...***" Elizabeth Stone's words have always resonated with me because it is what I have felt about all the students that I taught especially after having a child of my own; thank you for entrusting me with your **hearts**. I look forward to getting to know you and your children as the year progresses. I am available and happy to meet with parents. We have a shared responsibility in keeping our children safe.

Enjoy the last weeks of summer vacation.

Miriam Bonici

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