



DIVINE WISDOM CATHOLIC ACADEMY

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Dear Families,

Welcome to the 2020- 2021 school year!!!! If this is your first year at **Divine Wisdom Catholic Academy**, welcome to our school, and to our returning families, welcome home. We are so happy that we will be returning to the school building. We really missed you!!! Whether you are returning in person or signing on for remote learning, you are all part of our **Divine Wisdom Family!**

The **Divine Wisdom** community is committed to maintaining a strong partnership with families through emails, communication notebooks, notes and conversations. This very important bond strengthens our efforts in supporting all our children in order for them to achieve their personal best in school.

The **Academy** is planning once again to use the website (www.dwcaonline.org) as our primary communication tool this school year. Key dates, forms, announcements, and all future communication will be on the website, and important e-mail blasts and texts will be sent regularly to all families through Option C. **Divine Wisdom** is continuing to go “paperless” whenever possible; for environmental reasons and cost.

We have assembled a folder under the Parent tab on the **Academy** website, titled **School Opening 2020**, with notices and information pertinent to the start of a new school year. The folder contents are our way of keeping everyone “in the loop.”

Please review all materials included and return those items, which ask for information. The folder includes:

- ✓ **2020- 2021 Academy Back-to-School Folder Opening Letter**
- ✓ **2020-2021 DWCA Back-to-School Evening Save the Date and Agenda**
- ✓ **2020- 2021 DWCA Family Handbook**
- ✓ **2020- 2021 DWCA Family Handbook Receipt and Acknowledgment form...**
to be filled-out and scanned to your child’s homeroom teacher by Friday, September 11, 2020
- ✓ **2020-2021 COVID-19 Supplementary Handbook and Acknowledgement form**
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- ✓ **After School Program Nursery and Pre-K and Early Morning Drop-off Descriptor and Registration Form**
- ✓ **After School Program K-8 and Early Morning Drop-off Descriptor and Registration Form**
- ✓ **Class Captain Volunteer form**
- ✓ **Consent to Photograph, Film....** It is our intention to celebrate and share learning at **Divine Wisdom**, at times that might include taking photos and/or videotaping. Please complete and return to your child's homeroom teacher by September 11, 2020.
- ✓ **Diocese of Brooklyn Anti-Bullying Policy**
- ✓ **DWCA Family Communication Policy**
- ✓ **DWCA Student Code of Behavior**
- ✓ **First Week of School Arrival and Dismissal**
- ✓ **Permission slip...walking trips**
- ✓ **Student Absence Note forms.** This is the form to be used when a child returns from being absent.
- ✓ **Acceptable Use Policy for Technology Agreement** Please note: the second page of the contract is to be scanned and returned to your child's homeroom teacher by Friday, September 11, 2020
- ✓ **Summer 2020 Family Letter**

As we begin this school year under these very challenging circumstances, I'd like to reassure all the **Divine Wisdom** families that we are all committed to supporting your children academically, spiritually and social emotionally. **Divine Wisdom** families, faculty and staff have a shared responsibility in keeping everyone safe and healthy. It is important that families err on the side of caution and keep their children home if they are not feeling well in order to protect the health of the **Divine Wisdom** community. I have faith that if we all work together we will be okay.

With appreciation,

Miriam Bonici