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**Subject: Urgent - send out to families ASAP**

Dear Parent, Guardians and Staff Members of our Catholic Schools,  
Beginning Monday, March 16, 2020 all 19 elementary schools and both high schools will be closed for the next 2 weeks. This means that campuses will be closed. There will be no classes, events, extended day services or any athletic practices allowed at the Catholic school sites in this diocese. It is our hope that on site classes can resume on Monday, March 30<sup>th</sup>, but that will be determined on a day by day basis. During these two weeks, you schools are prepared to offer online classes so that the students do not lose instructional time. Each school principal will provide you with specific instructions on the classes being offered. Bishop Brennan will be issuing an official statement later this afternoon, but I wanted everyone in our Catholic communities to receive this message before children are dismissed for the day.

Let us all pray together for all of those who have contracted the virus.

God bless each of you,

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For over 100 years, our Catholic Schools have helped students grow spiritually and excel academically by welcoming children into a faith filled community where they come to know, love and serve God.