



HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

As you may be aware, Gov. Andrew Cuomo has identified Holy Family School as being located in a micro cluster in Onondaga County that is seeing a spike in COVID-19 cases. According to the Governor's map, our school building is located within a Yellow Zone.

A Yellow Zone requires our school to test 20 % of our in-person school population of students and staff members in order to continue in-person instruction. This means we will need to test roughly 43 people each week in order to comply with this requirement. This will include students in all grade levels as well as all Faculty and Staff. We are working with the Catholic Schools Office and Onondaga County Officials to clearly define and meet our responsibilities.

Consent forms were emailed to families to determine their willingness to have their child(ren) tested regularly by Onondaga County while our school remains in a micro cluster zone. Testing at schools will be a rapid nasal swab test which involves a short swab of the lower nasal area; results are available in 15 minutes, according to County Executive Ryan McMahon. The response to the consent form will not prevent a family from choosing another option in the future. The number of participants in regular weekly testing will determine our ability to continue to provide in-person instruction in our school.

Although no decisions have been made, it does appear to be a possibility that we may need to temporarily transition to online learning for all students. We want to give our families a chance to arrange childcare and prepare for this possibility.

We will continue to update you; please check your email and our website for updates. We appreciate your ongoing support and cooperation. Please contact the school with any questions or concerns.

God bless you,

Sr. Christina Marie Luczynski

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