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ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO 

August 5, 2020

Dear Catholic School Parents and Guardians,

This morning, Chicago Public Schools (CPS) announced a change in their planned reopening of school buildings. They have chosen to conduct classes via full-time remote learning for the first 10 weeks of the fall.

The Archdiocese of Chicago believes strongly that our reopening plan, which provides for full-time in-person learning, is in the best interests of children and our mission. In-person learning is essential for the intellectual, emotional, physical and spiritual growth of our students. Our reopening plan maximizes the safety of our students and employees while allowing the resumption of in-person learning. It is therefore our intention to remain committed to our plan to offer five-day, in-person learning in addition to a remote, e-learning, option for those students who are unable or whose parents are unwilling to return to classrooms.

In designing our reopening plan, we consulted guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention as well as input on safely reopening and important mitigation efforts from the Chicago Department of Public Health (CDPH), state health officials and infectious disease experts on our own task force. CDPH has recognized that our school system is different from CPS and supports our specific plan to reopen. If this guidance were to change, we would adjust our plan accordingly.

In the meantime, schools are working hard to implement health and safety requirements ahead of the start of the year. Schools are also preparing a virtual learning option with support from the Archdiocese. More information about virtual learning will be released to parents in the days ahead.

I realize this is a time of anxiety and stress. Know that we deeply care about the needs of our child and are looking forward to the year to come. If you have questions, I encourage you to contact your school's principal or the Archdiocese at [ReopenSchools@archchicago.org](mailto:ReopenSchools@archchicago.org).

Thank you for your partnership and trust.

Yours in Christ,

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# FROM THE DESK OF PRINCIPAL SPELLS

## Weekly Newsletter/ Updates #2

- As of today, the Archdiocese's stance is: face- to- face instruction or e-Learning with classes live streaming.
- Teachers will have class with some students face- to- face while others will view the class instruction online.
- Based on your survey responses, 73% of the parents want to continue with e-learning. This data was sent to the Archdiocese.
- Because the expectation is that we "might" have to go to e-learning, teacher are in training now to prepare for the new school year. Once we are trained we in turn will train you and your child. It will not be like the spring. We did not have time to prepare, but now e-learning is our number one priority. E-Learning program will be robust, engaging, challenging and of high quality.
- St. Ethelreda will reopen on Tuesday, September 8, for the 2020-2021 school year.
- Due to the weather, students will wear their St. Ethelreda gym uniforms to school until further notice. This includes white socks and basic white or black gym shoes.
- Gym order forms are available at school or you can purchase the uniforms from Martinellis. Preschool and Kindergarten parents should go there for smaller sizes.
- Registration is ongoing with a Special Covid-19 fee of \$100.00 per family; \$50.00 for a single preschool student.
- The school supply list is posted. Just buy the basics. We know Lysol is not available. We will have cleaning supplies.
- Beginning Wednesday, August 5<sup>th</sup>, the office will be open from 8:00 until 5:00 for your convenience.
- You will receive a robo call every Sunday and Wednesday with more updates.
- Make sure you complete the Facts application online for financial aid. This helps to determine your tuition and a possible scholarship, as well as financial aid.
- Email or call me if you have questions. I might not get back to you right away, but I will answer your question or address your concerns as soon as I am able. Calls after office hours will be forwarded, so I will receive them.
- If you have not picked up your child's personal belongings since school closed in June, please do so by Friday. Otherwise, it will be thrown away. We have to de-clutter the building.
- Until then, please be safe and continue to pray.
- Check your emailed and the website for a letter from Dr.Rigg, Superintendent of Catholic School.

**St. Ethelreda School Supply List: Preschool through 8<sup>th</sup> Grade  
2020-2021**

**PRESCHOOL**

Complete change of clothing

**LABEL ALL ITEMS**

- Pants/underwear
- Socks/ tights
- Shirt/blouse
- Slacks/dress
- 4 boxes of Kleenex
- 4 rolls of paper towels
- 2 hand sanitizers
- 2 Lysol spray
- 2 can of Disinfectant spray (Lysol or Clorox)
- 2 pk.. of Lysol disinfecting wipes (for IPad)
- 1 small box of crayons
- 3 glue sticks
- 3 fat beginners' pencils

**KINDERGARTEN**

- Book bag
- 2 boxes of Kleenex
- 4 rolls of paper towels
- 1 folder plastic
- Crayons (1box of 8-large)
- 6 beginner's pencils only
- 6 glue sticks
- Blunt Scissors (not plastic)
- 1pk. of 3x5 unlined white index cards
- Index card holder
- 2 bottles hand sanitizers
- 5 big containers of disinfecting wipes
- 1 bottles of liquid hand soap
- 1pk. Baby wipes

**(Children will not be allowed to take school supplies home)**

**GRADE 1**

- Book bag
- Twistable crayons (box 24)
- Blunt scissors
- Elmer's school glue
- 2 glue sticks
- 6 – Pocket folders
- Pencil box
- 10 - #2 pencils (Intermediate beginner pencil)
- (Make sure scissors, crayons pencils all fit in box)*
- 4 boxes of tissue
- 4 rolls of paper towels
- 2 stretch book covers (Jumbo size)
- 4 hand sanitizers
- 5 Lysol spray and wipes( if possible)
- 4 Liquid hand soap
- 3 notebook

**For Everyday Math Program**

- 4 Dry erase markers Expo (Black and Blue) 1 box of Zip lock bags (1 small & 1 large)**

**Art- 1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade**

- Crayons, 1roll paper towel pencil box (labeled) 10 pencils 1pk. baby wipes or hand wipes**

**GRADE 2**

- Crayons
- Book Bag
- Blunt Scissors
- 2 glue sticks
- 4 pocket folders (plastic)
- 10 #2 pencil (Intermediate beginner pencil) pencil box
- (Make sure scissors, crayons , pencils all fit in box)
- 2 box of kleenex
- 2 rolls of paper towels
- 3 stretch book covers (Jumbo size)
- 4 note books
- 2 bottles of hand sanitizers
- 2 liquid hand soap
- 4 Lysol spray & wipes (If it is possible)
- 1 Pk. baby wipes or hand wipe

**Art- 1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade**

- Crayons, 1roll paper towel, pencil box (labeled) 10 pencils.**

**For Everyday Math Program**

- 4 Dry erase markers Expo (black & blue)**
- Zip lock bags (1 small & 1 large)**

**GRADE 3**

- 1-7 pocket expanding file folder
- Crayons (24 or less)
- 20- #2 pencils (with name on them)
- 4 pk.- Loose leaf paper (Wide rule)
- Ruler (English/Metric)
- Black or Blue erasable pens
- Colored pencils
- Blunt scissors
- 4 rolls of paper towels
- 4 boxes of Kleenex
- 4 glue sticks
- 8 wide tip markers
- 1 pencil pouch
- 7 composition notebook
- 2 stretch book covers
- 3 hand sanitizer
- 4 pk. of Lysol wipes and spray ( If you can find any)
- 5 4x6 post-it (ultra collection pack pads)
- 6 3x3 post-it

### GRADE 4

Book bag  
1 box of 24 crayons  
Blunt Scissors  
2 glue sticks  
10 - #2 pencils  
4 each blue & black erasable pens  
1-7 plastic folders  
1 ruler (English and Metric)  
Loose leaf paper- 500 sheet  
1 covered pencil sharpner  
1 protractor  
1 pencil pouch (Make sure scissors, crayons, pencils all fit in box)  
4 boxes of tissue  
4 rolls of paper towels  
4 stretch book covers (Jumbo size)  
Graph paper  
4 hand sanitizers  
2 liquid hand soap  
4 Lysol spray & wipes if possible  
4 spiral notebooks

#### Art

**Crayons**  
**1 roll of paper towel**  
**Pencil box (labeled) 10 pencils**  
**1 pk. baby wipes or hand wipes**

### Physical Education

#### Preschool – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

St. Ethelreda Tee Shirt and short on warm days. St. Ethelreda Sweat Suit on? cool/ cold days. Gym shoes: basic black or white: Socks plain white

### GRADE 5

**Book bag**  
Blunt scissors  
4 spiral notebook  
2pk loose leaf paper  
Ruler (English/Metric)  
Pencils – 10  
Blue or black erasable pens  
Pencil pouch  
2– Two pocket folders  
Crayons/markers  
Elmer’s school glue  
4 rolls of paper towels  
4 boxes of kleenex  
5 stretch book covers  
2 pk. of Lysol wipes 100 ct.  
1-7 pocket plastic folder  
1 pk. Black Dry Erase Markers (EXPO)  
2 bottles of hand sanitizer  
2 composition notebook  
4 3x3 post-it notes  
4 4x6 post it notes

**Art – Supplies 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade coloring pencils (12 count)**  
**1roll paper towels, utility box, 10 pencils , sketch book**  
**1pk hand wipes**

### MUSIC: GRADE 1 – 8

1 spiral notebook  
1 – Two pocket folder

### GRADES 6, 7, 8

Book bag  
Loose leaf paper  
Thesaurus  
Pocket dictionary  
1-7 pocket plastic folder  
7 spiral notebooks  
2 –two pocket folders  
6 pencils  
Blue or black pens  
Pencil pouch  
1 pk. Black Dry Erase Markers (EXPO)  
Ruler (English/Metric)  
Crayons  
Colored pencils  
Protractor  
Scissors  
Covered pencil sharpener  
4 boxes of Kleenex  
4 rolls of paper towels  
2 pk. of Lysol wipes 100 ct.  
2 bottles of hand sanitizers  
5 stretch book covers- (Jumbo/extra large size, not one-size fits-all)  
Journal – 100 sheets hard cover  
Graph paper

**Art- Supplies 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade coloring pencils (12 count)**  
**1roll paper towels, utility box,10 pencils, sketch book**  
**1pk hand wipes**

**CHILDREN SHOULD HAVE ALL SUPPLIES BY THE FIRST MONDAY IN SEPTEMBER.  
PLEASE DO NOT SEND ANYTHING TO SCHOOL THAT IS NOT ON THE LIST.**