



# RESURRECTION CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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Mr. Kevin O'Brien, *Principal*

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Dear Families,

With rising COVID rates due to the Delta variant, and with children under the age of 12 unable to be vaccinated, it has been our decision as a school community **to continue the usage of masks for all students, teachers, and staff members for the upcoming year, regardless of vaccination.** This decision came after consideration of all the following: infection and vaccine rates in Wyandotte County; information from the CDC; guidance from other Wyandotte County Catholic Schools and the Archdiocese of Kansas City, in Kansas; and feedback from teachers, staff and parents. Based on all these factors, it made sense for the safety of our students, families, faculty and staff that in order to ensure safety, mask-wearing needed to be a priority for the upcoming year.

All protocols this year will be further outlined **in the updated handbook in the COVID Transition Plan** section. While some of the protocols will be continued from last year, such as frequent hand-washing and sanitation, there will be modifications that will allow for a little more movement from the previous year, though with proper safety and spacing protocols in place. **Please review those protocols in the handbook** so your child, your family, and our community can stay safe from the COVID and Delta variant.

We also would encourage all families and members of our Resurrection community to get vaccinated at this time, as that would speed up this recovery process, and make the reality of school and learning without masks come sooner in the school year. **Archbishop Naumann has encouraged the use of the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines, and those two have been the most effective in combating COVID.** Both those vaccines are **widely available throughout Wyandotte County**, and the health department can also aid in answering any questions with the vaccine and its benefits. That being said, while we strongly encourage everyone to get the vaccine, **there will be no discrimination of any family or student who is not vaccinated.** As a community, we believe that we are “**all made in the image and likeness of God**”, and thus, we will show respect toward everyone and their own discernment process with the vaccine.

We at Resurrection understand how challenging of a time this is for your kids and families. That being said, your children and their safety is our highest priority here at Resurrection. At the end of the day, we will always do what is best for the safety of your children, especially in the school environment. That is why we are **continuing the usage of masks**, in order to ensure safety. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to our office or by my email at [kobrien@rskck.org](mailto:kobrien@rskck.org).

Please know that I and the entire Resurrection community continues to pray for your children and families during this time! We will get through this challenge by working together and having faith in God! Resurrection has done it before, and will do it again!

Enjoy the rest of the summer and stay safe! God Bless!

Blessings,

*Kevin O'Brien*

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