



Saint Paschal Baylon Catholic School

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Dear SPB Preschool Families,

Thanks to the cooperation and work of our staff, students, parents, and families, our school successfully completed a year of in-person learning in the midst of the pandemic, and we are looking forward to the gifts and blessings this new school year will bring. With the coronavirus pandemic still with us, we remain ever aware of our responsibility to protect our children and members of our community. We continue to rely on the guidance of our health professionals. We are all aware of how dangerous this disease can be, and our thoughts and prayers are with all who have experienced its effects either personally or with loved ones.

Our year will definitely look and feel more normal as some of the things we missed last year make a comeback, including the return of many extracurricular activities and events, enjoying the playground, and more. We are committed to the health and safety of our students, and we are confident that this year will be a successful and meaningful one for our students.

We ask that you please read our [Preschool Responsive Return Plan for Preschool](#) for the 2021-2022 school year. Like last year, our goal is to maintain in-person learning all year long and to have a more “normal” school year. Saint Paschal Baylon Catholic School reserves the right to modify this policy at any time during the school year based on the conditions in the school community, including levels of communicable disease spread in the area or on the authority of the local board of health. Any change in protocols will be communicated to families and stakeholders through the school’s customary communication channels. Families are required to complete the [Preschool COVID-19 Student Policy Form](#) prior to the start of school. This form will also be available at the preschool parent meeting and must be completed by the first day of school.

Just like last year, preschool students are **strongly recommended and encouraged** to wear masks, but are not required to do so. **Each preschool student will be required to have a mask in their book bag to be used for hallway transitions and group work as needed.** Face masks should cover the nose, mouth, and chin. All staff members will be required to wear face coverings (face masks or face shields) throughout the school day until further notice. Masks will not be required outside. Our layered approach of mitigation strategies, including social distancing, handwashing, cleaning and sanitization practices, etc., will help us achieve our goal of keeping all of our students in school for learning. We will continue to monitor cases and

recommendations set forth by the Cuyahoga County Board of Health, the Ohio Department of Education.

As always, we appreciate your understanding and support as we prepare to kickoff the 2021-2022 school year! Thank you for your dedication to Saint Paschal Baylon. We look forward to a great year!

Sincerely,

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Principal

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Assistant Principal

Rev. John Thomas Lane SSS
Pastor



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