

Dear Villa parents,

I hope your family is staying healthy as the corona virus pandemic forces changes to all aspects of our everyday life. We are carefully monitoring all updated Information and recommendations, and ask for your continued patience, support, and prayers as we determine how to proceed in the best interests of our St. Ursula Villa students, families, faculty, and staff.

We recognize the many challenges and uncertainties of our current times and are particularly sensitive to the emotional needs of our Villa students. St. Ursula Villa's school counselor, Ms. Susan Friedman, is available to support your children and is an invaluable resource during this stressful time. I encourage you to make your children aware of Ms. Friedman's availability and how to contact her if needed. Attached is a letter from Ms. Friedman with instructions on reaching her and details about how she can help.

Ohio Governor DeWine issued a new order extending the closure of Ohio schools and the stay-at-home order through May 1, 2020. We strongly encourage everyone to comply with the stay-at-home order to change the spread and trajectory of COVID-19. St. Ursula Villa administration and faculty are prepared to continue remote learning as long as needed for the health and safety of our community.

Villa teachers regularly deliver student instruction through Zoom, YouTube, Microsoft Teams, and See Saw; student-teacher communications are facilitated through RenWeb, email, and other channels. Villa teachers select various instructional methods best suited to that specific subject and their personal teaching styles. I routinely monitor teachers' educational plans to ensure consistent, high-quality instruction and find their content effective and engaging. Our students are successfully adapting to this new type of learning and we, as a school, are rising to this extraordinary challenge.

Our strong St. Ursula Villa community is committed to weathering this storm together even while missing our school's vital core – our students. In the below video message to our students, Villa teachers, administration, and staff send their greetings and excitement to be together again soon. Please share with your children and remember - "We Villa Get Through This!"



Sincerely,

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