

March 27, 2020

Dear Villa parents,

Thank you for your patience and support as St. Ursula Villa concludes our second week of distance learning. We know this is a very stressful time for students and parents and emphasize the importance of our community coming together and supporting each other.

Over the last two weeks, St. Ursula Villa faculty and administration have worked through pedagogical and technological challenges of remote learning and are committed to refining and improving instructional techniques and communication methods. I have seen many creative, exciting, and engaging demonstrations of Villa teachers providing remote instruction and am impressed as they develop additional ways to reach their students. We have recently provided teachers with further training about video conferencing and families can expect to see more educational content delivered through this method.

As some parents have suggested, we will now deliver information about students' learning plans by Sundays at 5:00 pm. This will allow parents and students to prepare and begin their week with a better view of the upcoming academic expectations.

St. Ursula Villa's campus will be closed with distance learning in place all the way up to April 9, our originally scheduled Easter Break. Easter Break will remain a break with no instructional expectations April 9 through April 20. Pending Governor's DeWine's permission to reopen schools, St. Ursula Villa will reopen our campus and return to face-to-face instruction Monday, April 20.

Please pray for our Villa students and families, as well as larger community and world. We appreciate your support as we face this challenging time together. As Saint Angela's words in our school theme remind us, "If you stand united in heart, you will be strong in adversity."

Sincerely,

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