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Dear LaSallian families:

On August 7, 2020 Governor Cuomo officially announced that schools may reopen in every region of NYS based on the current low rate of infection. Please recall that last month, the Governor stated the following formula to determine reopening/closing of schools:

- Schools open if region is in Phase IV & daily infection rate remains below 5% or lower using a 14-day average
- Schools close if regional infection rate is greater than 9% using 7-day average

He further announced that in addition to the comprehensive reopening plan submitted and posted to the State Education Department, Department of Health and on the LaSalle website recently, we must also:

1. Post the following plans on our website by August 14:

- **Remote Learning Plan** – describing how the district will address the issue of equity if offering remote learning.
LaSalle School will provide equitable access during remote learning to curriculum, instruction, services and educational resources. Please refer to the re-opening plan p. 5, 'Remote Learning- Additional Information'
- **COVID-19 Testing Plan** – describing how individuals will be tested if COVID-19 symptoms present themselves, who will conduct the testing, etc.
*The PBIS committee will provide students and staff with COVID-19 specific health and safety lesson plans. In addition, other resources will be provided to educate students and parents/guardians regarding careful observation of COVID-19 symptoms and health screening measures that should be conducted prior to coming to school. LaSalle School will also provide all employees with Universal Precaution training with enhanced COVID-19 information specific to health screening, hygiene and safety measures.
Upon arriving to school, staff and students will be required to complete the daily health screening measures identified in the re-opening plan. Face masks will be required when 6+ feet of social distancing is not possible.
In addition, LaSalle School's Testing Plan will include following NYS Department of Health guidance, including prohibiting any employee or student who screens positive for any health screen criteria (symptoms, test, or close contact) from entering the school. The employee or student/parent will be asked to contact their health care provider for an assessment and/or testing. LaSalle School will immediately be notifying state and local health departments if an employee or student tests positive for COVID-19. We will also cooperate with any contact tracing efforts.*
- **Contact Tracing Plan** – describing how the district will trace who may need to quarantine if positive case, etc.
LaSalle School will use attendance records for students and staff to facilitate contact tracing. In addition, schedules will be maintained for all staff, including teachers, TA/aides, safety staff, related

service providers, as well as substitutes, and other individuals who may enter the school. All individuals (e.g., visitors, contractors, and vendors) who enter the school buildings will be required to sign in so that LaSalle can assist local health departments with contact tracing when necessary.

2. Conduct discussion sessions by August 21 as follows:
 - o Three Q&A sessions with families
 - o One Q&A session with teachers/staff

LaSalle School will host **Zoom Q&A sessions*** as follows:

- Teachers/Staff – Tuesday 8/18 from 2:45-3:30 p.m.
- LaSallian families – Tuesday 8/18 from 3:45-4:45p.m.
Join us at: <https://abhealth.zoom.us/j/99572986271>
or call +1 646 558 8656 US (New York)/Meeting ID: 995 7298 6271
- LaSallian families – Wednesday, 8/19 from 3-4pm.
Join us at: <https://abhealth.zoom.us/j/99037591119>
or call +1 646 558 8656 US (New York)/Meeting ID: 990 3759 1119
- LaSallian families – Thursday, 8/20 from 3-4 p.m.
Join us at: <https://abhealth.zoom.us/j/91348250420>
or call +1 646 558 8656 US (New York)/ Meeting ID: 913 4825 0420

*In an effort to be as efficient as possible, all questions should be submitted to saunders@lasalle-school.org prior to the Q&A session dates. Questions submitted will be answered during each session. You may also continue to send questions once the sessions are completed and we will respond accordingly.

Parents/guardians are encouraged to attend one, or all family Q&A sessions. It is important to note that all frequently asked questions submitted in advance, both school and grade specific, as well as the more generic questions that apply to students from 6-12th will be answered during each session. In addition, a frequently asked questions page will be added to the LaSalle School website at <https://www.lasalle-school.org>

We look forward to a successful and healthy year; and we continue to appreciate your support during this challenging time.

Marilyn Saunders
Director of Education

MISSION STATEMENT

Through a dedicated and capable community of staff and associates, inspired by the faith and vision of St. John Baptist de La Salle, La Salle School provides therapeutic, educational and supportive services designed to accomplish positive, personal growth and lasting change in the lives of youth and families in need



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