



March 30, 2020

Dear Greensburg Central Catholic Students, Parents and Families,

As we enter the third week of our “new normal” and encounter even more changes such as stay-at-home directives, we wanted to reach out to let you know how Greensburg Central Catholic has remained positive and productive in our efforts to provide continuity of education. Even though the campus is closed, learning is very much alive on our remote platform. It is our goal to continue to provide learning opportunities for our students; however, our primary reason for writing today is to check on you—our students, parents, our supporters, our family.

We hope that this letter finds you and your family in good health as you navigate this pandemic. Parents, we know that many of you are managing working, parenting, and teaching, do the best you can. We realize managing multiple roles is difficult, not because you’re doing it wrong, but because it’s a lot to manage. Students, as you continue to adjust, if you are stressed, reach out virtually for social connection. The GCC core values remind us that we live the Gospel values, as faithful Catholic stewards who act with courage and inspire with leadership, we celebrate the dignity of every human person through our empathy and respect, we foster integrity evident through accountability, discipline, and honesty, and we advocate justice tempered by compassion and righteousness. While we find the world both different and difficult, we understand the importance of self-sacrifice through social distancing and stay-at-home measures, so that we protect the most vulnerable members of our society. If you are suffering from illness, anxious about your relatives and friends, or feeling alone, know that the GCC community offers prayers for you. Do not hesitate to reach out to connect. Remote or together, we are the GCC community and we are in this together.

We are proud of how quickly our Greensburg Central Catholic faculty, staff, students, and parents transformed the GCC educational experience into a rigorous and collaborative online process. Despite our distance, we continue to provide educational opportunities, to learn, and to connect in prayer. Our planning and preparation for remote learning began early in the fall with our plan to implement flexible instruction. With that platform already developed, the education of our students transitioned immediately to remote learning after being given the directive from Governor Wolf to close all school. New and engaging learning is happening each day through multiple platform such as Schoology, Zoom conferencing, OneNote, and countless other learning resources. We are fortunate to have a 1:1 laptop program and grateful for our technology staff who continue to support our needs. Math Lab support is also available by contacting Bernadette Trainer @ [BTrainer@gcchs.org](mailto:BTrainer@gcchs.org).

Thank you for your continued support and for your ongoing belief in the mission of GCC. We hope that you remain a presence as a member of the GCC Family. May God bless you and your loved ones in these uncertain times.

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**MISSION STATEMENT**

To promote the formation  
of students within  
a community of faith.

**VISION STATEMENT**

Our students will be  
educated and impassioned  
to lead extraordinary lives  
in the Catholic tradition.