

## Catholic Diocese of Evansville

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## Diocese of Evansville Catholic Schools remain closed through at least May 1, 2020

**EVANSVILLE, INDIANA – March 19, 2020** – Diocese of Evansville Catholic Schools Superintendent Dr. Daryl Hagan has announced a schedule for extended-learning outside classrooms, to begin on March 30, 2020, and continue through May 1, 2020, **or** completion of the school year through extended learning on May 15, 2020.

Catholic school students will be provided four extended-learning days with one waiver day for teacher preparation each week. Each Catholic school will be providing additional details regarding specifics for their students and families.

Dr. Hagan said, "Catholic schools, collaborating with parents and guardians as the primary educators, seek to educate the whole child by providing an excellent education rooted in Gospel values. In the past few weeks, this collaboration between families and schools has never been truer. As parents and educators, we understand that students need structure and routine, even in the midst of uncertainty. The reality of the COVID-19 (Coronavirus) pandemic is that we will continue to provide a Catholic education to our students utilizing creative and innovative instructional practices for the foreseeable future, and potentially for the remainder of the school year.

He added, "I want to acknowledge our school administrators, faculty and staff who continue to rise to this challenge as they seek to provide a Catholic education within this new format. I want to thank parents and students, who have created learning centers within the home dedicated to continual learning and completing assignments. Our Catholic school families and staff are unified and strong. For 75 years, the Catholic Diocese of Evansville has strived to live as a community of faith, hope and charity, rooted in Christ. The Coronavirus outbreak has not changed that for any of us."

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