

SIENNA CAMPUS

May 13, 2020 Update

Dear Parents,

We are a little over a week to the end of the school year. I wanted to write to our school families to provide some information for next week, share some exciting news, and give important updates about the upcoming school year.

End of the 2019-2020 School Year

Here is a brief summary of the events for the week of May 18-22.

- **Monday - Tuesday** - Students will finish submitting all course work for the school year.
- **Wednesday - Thursday** - Families will return items to school and retrieve all personal items. In order to control the amount of people on campus at one time, we are asking that families sign up for a time to drop off all borrowed school items and pick up personal items. Please use the link to the Signup Genius below to pick a time for each of your classrooms. Students are welcome to come with parents to gather items and say goodbye to their teachers for the summer.

[Pick up time sign up - click here](#)

- **Thursday, May 21 6:30 PM - Online Eighth Grade Graduation** - We will be celebrating our graduates this year with an online ceremony on the Divine Savior Church website.

2020-2021 School Year: *What will it look like?*

There have been many questions about what school will look like at the start of next school year. We are planning for all situations, but our goal is that we will do everything possible to have in-school classes starting August 12. Here are a few things that we are doing now and looking into doing in order to be prepared for next year.

- We will continue to monitor the guidelines from Governor Abbott and the Texas Education Agency over the coming weeks and months.
- We are looking at our current cleaning service to make sure that we will exceed any requirements of schools from the CDC and our local government.
- We feel that we are in a much better position to follow class-size and distancing guidelines for in-person classes due to our smaller enrollment numbers.
- We will keep our families informed throughout the summer as the situation progresses.

Financial Aid

We know that COVID-19 is impacting our families in many different ways. We are committed at DSA to continue to serve your families in providing a Christ-centered education and don't want financial issues to get in the way. If you are in need of financial aid, you can still apply for needs-based tuition assistance through the following link on our website: <https://divinesavioracademy.com/sienna/financial-aid.aspx>. Please feel free to reach out to Mr. Cortright if you have any questions about the process.

High School Proposal Approved!

The governing board of Divine Savior Ministries (DSM) officially approved our proposal to move forward with starting a high school in the 2021-2022 school year! We are so thankful that even in this time of uncertainty we have this opportunity to proceed with our plans, trusting that the Lord will bless our efforts. While the leadership at DSM will help us in the process, the work to prepare and launch a high school program falls on our leadership and our school family. It is going to take the entire DSA family to make this dream a reality. We are excited to begin this journey with your help! Please stay tuned for more information over the summer months and as we start the '20-21 school year.

Blessings,

The DSA Administration