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Dear Saints,

I count our many blessings at CTK each day. We have stayed in school despite the virus. Our students are happy, faith-filled, and learning. This makes an educator's job very rewarding! Despite our challenges in the past couple of years, our faculty and staff have remained positive and focused on our school mission. I see the excellent results of this each day.

We have been fortunate enough to stay in school during this difficult time because of our COVID protocols, including the mask mandate. Moving forward, **masks will be optional but highly recommended**. We ask that you consider this recommendation to help decrease the chance of our teachers having to quarantine. Having our teachers in school determines whether we can continue with in-school instruction. If our numbers go up, we may have to return to masking.

From now on, we will not ask you for your child's COVID vaccination status. For that reason, we will not be able to contact trace. Christ the King **will not** be responsible for notifying you of quarantine and return to school dates. We will not send students home due to a possible exposure in the classroom or sports teams. Please see the attached COVID Isolation and Quarantine Timeframe sheet to help you make the best decisions for your family and for our community.

Continue to keep in mind the health of our students and teachers as you make your decisions when someone in your family has been exposed or tests positive to COVID. Continue to keep your children home if they are not feeling well or if you are waiting on COVID test results. Notify the office and your child's teacher if your child is not coming to school for any reason. Please consider talking to your pediatrician about the COVID vaccine if you have not already done so.

Thank you for your continued support. We are CTK STRONG because our school and families work as a team!

God Bless,  
Jackie Garlock