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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Hopefully this letter finds you and your family healthy and safe as we move into summer. The school year concluded successfully and congratulations are in order for the Class of 2020 and their families. This year was truly unique and gratitude is due to pastors, administrators, teachers, staff, families, and students who joined together so that quality, Catholic education would continue to thrive virtually.

As we look ahead to the 2020-2021 school year, a task force comprised of clergy, Diocesan leadership, Board of Catholic Schools members, school educators, medical personnel, parents, and community members has been working diligently to offer proposals for the start of school. Three scenarios – in-person, hybrid, and virtual – have been proposed, depending upon the situation in the next several weeks.

At this time the Diocese of Wilmington is committed to opening the 2020-2021 school year in person. We shall provide faith formation and academic excellence in our schools where health and wellness for all members of the school community remain our priority. The school year will begin on schedule as outlined by your local Catholic school in compliance with guidelines set forth by the State and Diocese.

It is expected that schools will receive the final version of Diocesan Task Force guidelines by the end of July and communicate their local school plans in compliance with those guidelines to you in early August. At that time, individual concerns regarding your children or family may be discussed with your school principal. If plans change due to the health situation in the State, you will be notified.

We thank you for choosing a Catholic education for your child(ren). We are privileged to join with you, their first teachers in the faith, to prepare them to be the leaders of today and tomorrow in our Church and our world.

Sincerely,

Louis P. De Angelo

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