



Friday,
Nov. 20, 2020

Dear SJB Families,

Here's some information for your planning.

- **Reminder** -- There are no classes Monday and Tuesday, Nov. 23-24, for parent-teacher conferences. All students will learn virtually Nov. 30 to Dec. 4.
- [Link to Parent Teacher Conferences](#) -- Monday and Tuesday, Nov. 23-24
- **Calendar Change** -- Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 21-22, will be virtual school days for all students. This will give families and staff a two-week break from school at Christmas, just like the break for Thanksgiving.
- **Cancellation** -- Mid-terms exams for students in grades 5-8 are cancelled
- **Dec. 4 Response** – The county health officer's letter, which urges private schools to reconsider in-school operations, will be reviewed with the school nurse, consulting pediatrician, and Catholic Schools Office of the Archdiocese of Washington. The school will notify families of the response by Dec. 4.

The faculty of St. John the Baptist offers a prayer of gratitude for our wonderful families and students. We feel the kindness and support each day. Today, 10 families in need received Thanksgiving meals thanks to our generous families. The staff appreciates the thoughtful notes, the handmade facemasks, gifts of appreciation. Most of all, we thank the parents for raising your children to try to do the right thing and help others.

MCPS has had a surplus of food at several locations. Please pass [this information](#) on to anyone you know who might need it, and please have a safe and enjoyable Thanksgiving.

Respectfully and Faithfully,

Brian Blomquist

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