

Social and Emotional Plan

Diocese of Brooklyn
Ss. Joachim and Anne School



Creating community and connecting with students in new school configurations

- Students who are attending school remotely will be able to attend welcome celebrations through livestreaming and Google Meets.
- Students who are attending face to face will be able to attend outside Masses with selected classes to maintain social distancing. (Sept., Oct. and November)
- Remote learners will attend Mass through Zoom.
- Electronic newsletters highlighting goals, inspirational messages and local and school information.
- Google classroom meetings with different classes.
- Recess with different classes using livestreaming and Google Meets.

Facilitating community and connection with faculty and staff

- Constant Communication with Superintendent, District Superintendent and EPAC representatives.
- Weekly communication with District Superintendents. Weekly virtual Faculty Meetings.
- Principal and Secretary disseminates information to teachers and staff daily.
- Written follow up for meetings to provide clear goals and vision as we proceed each week.
- PDHP Counselors will provide referrals for: Post traumatic stress, health emergencies, depression, anxiety and other health challenges.
- Spiritual Support for faculty and staff provided by Pastor, priests, Religious Deacons, etc.
- Faith based discussions.

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Onboarding students to orient to the new realities of the classroom and school

- Principal, COVID 19 Leadership Team and entire faculty made consistent plans for the entire school
- Teachers meet through Zoom to implement the plans
- Rules are in place to adhere to the new realities of the classroom
- Students use Emotional Literacy and the mood meter to check in on their feelings.

- A welcome back video is made by Pastor, Principal and Teachers.
- Robo calls made assuring families of safety measures taken
- Implement Support Students Exposed to Trauma (SSET)
- SSET provides lessons on anxiety, withdrawal, isolation, depression, impulsive behavior.

Developing a differentiated on-boarding plan for students that are new to the school (transfer students)

- New students buddy with other students through Google Meets
- Parent will meet other parents with Zoom
- Highlight events on website and Option C to ensure communication
- Classroom meetings with shared experiences
- Virtual meetings with stakeholders to ensure positive thinking

Developing authentic ways for parents to connect with the school community in a virtual world

- Communication meeting with Zoom or Google Meets
- Parent Support groups
- Evidence Based Program guiding good choices for Grades 4 to 8 through remote learning
- PDHP can customize remote parent learning for Grades K to3
- Social Well Being:
 - Meditation
 - Yoga
 - Coffee/ Tea groups
- Spiritual Well Being:
 - Faith based discussion groups
 - Recitation of decades of the Rosary
 - Intentional Rosary

Maintaining daily rituals (i.e. daily announcements, morning prayer, etc.)

- Identify new norms for the School
- Morning and afternoon prayers on the PA by students, teachers or principal
- Morning or Afternoon announcements by the student body
- Grade of the Month Club
- Teacher of the Month
- Virtual calendars
- Students of the Month posted in the Lobby and the website

Structuring Social Opportunities for students and families

- Family Fun Nights remotely and face to face with social distancing
- School Yard Masses with social distancing
- Seasonal Celebrations in the Schoolyard with Social Distancing
- Virtual Get-togethers with Zoom or Google meets
- Holiday Celebrations
- Yoga
- Meditation
- Mindfulness Videos
- Weekly Gospel Readings
- Coffee/ Tea Time

Creating ways to mitigate stress responses in students, teachers, and families

- Clear Office Hours for Teachers
- Limit emails
- All communications come from one source used by all teachers
- COVID 19 Leadership Team meets with principal once a week to disseminate information to other teachers about different grade levels and specials.
- Classes have Homeroom Pages used for Communication
- Parent Page to disseminate important information

Enhancing approaches to support social emotional learning

- Open communication with principal, teachers and Pastor
- Emotional Literacy
- Responsive Classes
- Friendly Program
- Connect to Faith Based Program
- PDHP Counselors and Guidance Counselor
- Serve according to the needs of the students

Adjusting recruiting and marketing practices to attract new families and maintain contact with those newly enrolled.

- Virtual Tours
- Zoom meetings with new families
- Call new families bi-monthly
- New family buddy system through phone and Zoom
- Website updated weekly along with Twitter and Facebook
- Robo calls with teacher and principal messages
- Morning meeting with Principal with, teachers, families or students

PDHP & Mother Cabrini Counselors

- Principal requests all available counselors be available on the first day of school
- Principal agrees to emphasize help to those students exposed to trauma.
- Principal reports concerns about introverted students who need emotional support
- Counselors will aid principals with students requiring social distancing