



THE DIOCESE OF
HOUMA  THIBODAUX

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Dear Catholic Schools Family,

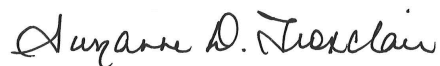
As we welcome back our faculty, staff, and students to our classrooms for the calendar year 2022, I am sincerely praying that all of our families were able to celebrate a joyous, healthy, and festive Christmas season.

As you are aware, Governor John Bel Edwards addressed the latest COVID-related matters in a press conference late last week. In his messaging the governor, along with the Louisiana Department of Health, **recommended** universal masking for our school settings both indoors and outside when social distancing is not possible, among other items.

We will be reevaluating our current guidelines in light of the latest recommendations early this week, and we will provide an update to our Catholic schools family as those decisions are reached. Compliance with mandated mitigation practices has had a positive effect on preventing the spread of the virus in our school environments during these past two years, and we intend to continue to adhere to state and federal mandates.

Our first priority has been, and remains, to provide a safe and Christ-centered environment for our Catholic schools family. Again, thank you for your patience, cooperation, and ongoing support of Catholic education in the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux.

Blessings,



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