## St. Francis de Sales High School

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SFDS Families, Students & Community,

Firstly, let me begin by thanking you for your outstanding work in the past 8 weeks. We have been faced with some enormous challenges. Yet, you have faced and conquered those challenges with grace. Preparing for the uncertainties of this 2020-2021 school year, amid COVID, has presented a multitude of added challenges. But, we have come so far, and look at how much we have accomplished together.

We will be returning to in-person instruction on 10/26/2020 with a phased-in approach, as we did at the beginning of the year for orientation. The schedule for this week <u>only</u> will be as follows:

- Monday: October 26<sup>th</sup> **FRESHMAN** will return for a full day of instruction
- Tuesday: October 27<sup>th</sup> **SOPHOMORES** will return for a full day of instruction
- Wednesday: October 28<sup>th</sup> **JUNIORS** will return for a full day of instruction
- Thursday: October 29<sup>th</sup> **SENIORS** will return for a full day of instruction
- Friday: October 30<sup>th</sup> will be a **ELEARNING** day for all students No in person learning Pioneer Speaker Series

Beginning the following week, **Tuesday**, **11/03/2020**, and for the remainder of the school year **ALL** students will be in person Monday through Thursday followed by e-learning on Fridays with mandatory participation in our speaker series. Students and staff will be required to take a Covid test within 5 days of the start of school.

With the help of our administrative team, Big Shoulder Fund (BSF) and the Archdiocese of Chicago, we have developed a reopening plan that will bring our students and staff back in a safe manner, provide opportunities for student learning growth, and is informed by guidance provided by the state, BSF, the Archdiocese of Chicago, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and the local health department.

I recognize that this public health crisis continues to be dynamic and we are committed to continuing to monitor the situation and the ever-changing guidance offered so that adjustments can be made to our plan as necessary.

Thank you for your continued support.

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