

Dear Bellarmine parents,

We are writing to provide an update on the steps we are taking with regard to COVID-19 (Coronavirus). The Jesuit ideal of Cura Personalis, care for the whole person, is central to our work at Bellarmine, and it is essential that we work together to care for the Bellarmine community during this time.

While new recommendations have come out this evening, the COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT is not recommending closing schools at this time. However, it is critical that we continue to practice healthy habits to reduce the spread of respiratory illnesses, like COVID-19.

Please know that there continues to be no known exposure to the virus at Bellarmine.

Your son should remain at home if he exhibits any one of these symptoms:

- **he has a fever**
- **he is unusually tired**
- **he doesn't feel well**

If a student appears to be manifesting symptoms while at school, he will be sent to the Dean's office for further assessment and we may require that he be picked up.

Our faculty will work with him upon his return. Help your son understand the importance of staying home to ensure a full recovery and reduce the risk to others. Our attendance phone number is: (408) 294-0645 or you may email DPLUTH@BCP.ORG.

- **We will continue to remind students to practice excellent hygiene habits:**
- **Cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue.**
- **Frequently wash hands with soap and water.**

Avoid touching eyes, nose and mouth. Our cleaning crew continues to wipe down frequently touched surfaces multiple times a day, and our faculty is reminding students to practice healthy habits in the classroom. Thank you for working with us to ensure the safety of the Bellarmine community. We continue to pray for all those who are struggling with illness at this time.

Sincerely,

**Kristina Luscher
Principal**