

Dear Bellarmine Parents:

Bellarmine's Mission Statement reminds us that:

We are a community of men and women gathered together by God for the purpose of educating the student to seek justice and truth throughout his life.

The past year has been like no other, and we have worked together to navigate the pandemic through online instruction. However, we believe that building community is more effectively done in person. Therefore, we are planning on all students returning to campus full time in the fall.

If, due to extraordinary circumstances, you were planning to have your son work remotely in the fall, we ask that you complete **THIS FORM** by May 17th so that we can engage in a dialogue with you about whether or not Bellarmine can meet your son's needs. We know that returning to campus might be a daunting prospect for some, and we want to do all we can to support your son as he transitions back to campus.

The FDA has approved vaccines for 12-15 year olds, and the county is scheduling appointments for those in that age group starting tomorrow, May 13th. Therefore, we ask that you get your son vaccinated. The County has a number of **VACCINATION SITES AVAILABLE** along with your healthcare provider. They are also hosting teen events at **LEVI STADIUM** and in **GILROY**.

Currently these vaccinations are approved under Emergency Use Authorization, and when these vaccines are fully authorized (which seems likely to happen in the next few months), our intent is to require vaccinations for participation in athletics, co-curriculars, retreats or immersion trips.

If your son has already been vaccinated, please upload his vaccination record into Magnus Health (in **POWERSCHOOL**). Our community has responded to the challenge of the past 14 months in some remarkable ways. We look forward to the Fall when we will be able to return to campus and strengthen our community by learning, praying and interacting with one another.

Sincerely,

Kristina Luscher
Principal