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Re: ‌ ‌Out‌ ‌of‌ ‌State‌ ‌Travel‌ ‌

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Dear‌ ‌Families, ‌ ‌ ‌

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The‌ ‌Archdiocese‌ ‌of‌ ‌Baltimore‌ ‌Department‌ ‌of‌ ‌Schools‌ ‌and‌ Saint Casimir School  ‌continue‌ ‌to‌ ‌work‌ ‌closely‌ ‌with‌ ‌the‌ ‌Maryland‌ ‌Department‌ ‌of‌ ‌Health,‌ ‌the‌ ‌Baltimore‌ ‌City ‌Health‌ ‌Department,‌ ‌and‌ ‌the‌ ‌Center‌ ‌for‌ ‌Disease‌ ‌Control‌ ‌and‌ ‌Prevention‌ ‌regarding‌ ‌safety‌ ‌guidelines‌ ‌and‌ ‌recommendations‌ ‌during‌ ‌the‌ ‌COVID-19‌ ‌pandemic.‌ ‌

The‌ ‌Maryland‌ ‌Department‌ ‌of‌ ‌Health‌ ‌has‌ ‌issued‌ ‌a‌ ‌public‌ ‌health‌ ‌advisory‌ ‌for‌ ‌out‌ ‌of‌ ‌state‌ ‌travel,‌ ‌which‌ ‌states‌ ‌that‌ ‌Marylanders‌ ‌are‌ ‌strongly‌ ‌advised‌ ‌against‌ ‌traveling‌ ‌to‌ ‌states‌ ‌with‌ ‌positivity‌ ‌rates‌ ‌of‌ ‌10%‌ ‌or‌ ‌higher.‌ ‌The‌ ‌CDC‌ ‌warns‌ ‌that‌ ‌travel‌ ‌increases‌ ‌your‌ ‌chance‌ ‌of‌ ‌getting‌ ‌and‌ ‌spreading‌ ‌COVID-19‌ ‌and‌ ‌recommends‌ ‌that‌ ‌the‌ ‌best‌ ‌way‌ ‌to‌ ‌protect‌ ‌yourself‌ ‌and‌ ‌others‌ ‌is‌ ‌to‌ ‌stay‌ ‌home.‌ ‌

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Within‌ ‌the‌ ‌Archdiocese‌ ‌of‌ ‌Baltimore, ‌ ‌we‌ ‌continue‌ ‌to‌ ‌work‌ ‌diligently‌ ‌to‌ ‌mitigate‌ ‌the‌ ‌risks‌ ‌of‌ ‌Covid-19. ‌ The following policy has been adopted that

students‌ ‌and‌ ‌staff‌ ‌must‌ ‌notify‌ ‌school‌ ‌administration‌ ‌in‌ ‌writing‌ ‌if‌ ‌they‌ ‌intend‌ ‌to‌ ‌travel‌ ‌to‌ ‌a‌ ‌state‌ ‌or‌ ‌country‌ ‌with‌ ‌a‌ ‌positivity‌ ‌rate‌ ‌for‌ ‌COVID-19‌ ‌of‌ ‌10%‌ ‌or‌ ‌greater‌ ‌during‌ ‌the‌ ‌period‌ ‌of‌ ‌their‌ ‌stay‌. We are required to keep a record of any out of state travel with this positivity rate. ‌

To see‌ ‌‌if‌ ‌the‌ ‌state‌ ‌you‌ ‌are‌ ‌visiting‌ ‌has‌ ‌reached‌ ‌that‌ ‌threshold check the following link.

[https://coronavirus.jhu.edu/testing/tracker/overview‌‌](https://coronavirus.jhu.edu/testing/tracker/overview)

‌In‌ ‌the‌ ‌event‌ ‌that‌ ‌students‌ ‌and/or‌ ‌staff‌ ‌members‌ ‌elect‌ ‌to‌ ‌proceed‌ ‌to‌ ‌visit‌ ‌a‌ ‌state‌ ‌with‌ ‌a‌ ‌positivity‌ ‌rate‌ ‌of‌ ‌10%‌ ‌or‌ ‌greater,‌ ‌those‌ ‌traveling‌ ‌will‌ ‌be‌ ‌required‌ ‌upon‌ ‌their‌ ‌return‌ ‌to‌ ‌provide‌ ‌evidence‌ ‌of‌ ‌a‌ ‌negative‌ ‌PCR‌ ‌test‌ ‌result‌ ‌for‌ ‌COVID-19‌ ‌and‌ ‌are‌ ‌asymptomatic‌ ‌or‌ ‌they‌ ‌have‌ ‌completed‌ ‌14‌ ‌day‌ ‌quarantine.‌ ‌

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