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Dear Parents and Guardians,

We presented our school reopening plan to the school board last night, and it was approved. Attached is our full reopening plan for the 2020-2021 school year with detailed information about operations, safety measures, and school information. Our top priority will continue to be the safety and health of our employees and students, so we will continue to follow guidance from local and state health officials, Louisiana Department of Health, Louisiana Department of Education, and Board of Elementary and Secondary Education. Although most of this information has already been emailed to you, we do want to point out a few items:

FIRST DAY IS HALF DAY (AUGUST 7):

- Due to the changes and additional safety protocols, the first day of school will be a half day, so schools can meet with students and review procedures, safety measures, and required protocols. Dismissal times are below:
 - Bains Lower Elementary (1st grade and Kindergarten Boys ONLY): 8:00 – 12:03
 - The schedule for the other BLE grade levels can be found on page 11 of the reopening document.
 - Bains Elementary: 8:00 – 12:03
 - WFMS: 7:25 – 11:37
 - WFHS: 7:25 – 11:42

Face Coverings:

- Face masks have proven to drastically reduce the chance of spreading and/or contracting COVID-19. **To protect our employees and students, all employees and students in grades 3-12 are required to wear face coverings to the maximum extent possible.** The face covering must cover the mouth and nose. The school district will provide all employees and students in grades 3-12 a minimum of one mask.
 - Patterns are allowed.
 - Gaiters are allowed.
 - Pictures on masks/gaiters are allowed for Pre-K – 5th grade students ONLY (unicorns, Batman, llamas, etc.).
 - Any writing or letters on masks/gaiters are NOT permitted with exception to Saints, WF, or a school logo.

Fees:

- We understand this is a difficult time for many of our families, and the pandemic has caused financial hardships. Because of this, we are waiving class fees for the 2020-2021 school year. If you are willing to make a donation to the school in the amount of the normal fee cost, the average cost of fees is \$40, and checks can be made out to the individual school.

Before and After Care Program

- To avoid mixing static groups at the elementary level, the before and after care program will not be available until further notice. We apologize for this inconvenience. Our top priority is student safety.

We know this will be a challenging year for all stakeholders. With a unified goal of protecting our employees and students while providing quality instruction, we can work together to ensure this school year runs as smoothly as possible.