



July 16, 2020 Update

Dear St. Marcus School Parents:

This email pertains to all students in grades K4 through 8th grade. More information will be forthcoming soon for K3 families.

Yesterday, we received some critical information regarding school reopening from the Milwaukee Health Department. Previously, under Phase 4 of the reopening plan (which we are in now) schools were permitted to reopen for on-site instruction. Under the revised plan, schools may not reopen for on-site instruction until we have reached Phase 5. It seems unlikely that this will happen before the start of school. **This means that under the current conditions we are obligated to start school with 100% remote instruction.**

Here is what you need to know:

1. We are currently planning to reopen with 100% remote instruction on the first day of school, Tuesday, August 18th.
2. As soon as the Milwaukee Health Department makes the determination that schools can reopen with on-site instruction, we plan on quickly transitioning into on-site instruction for all students.
3. Our planning focus has been on planning for multiple scenarios however, our focus will now shift to finalizing planning for 100% remote instruction. More details will be shared soon regarding remote instruction.
4. Many of you have expressed your desire to have your children back in school for on-site instruction. We are aware that changes like this create stress and anxiety and some very real, practical problems for you and your family. We understand this and we want to help in any way that we can including getting children back in school as soon as the authorities allow it.

If you're interested in reading the Milwaukee Health Department's "Moving Milwaukee Forward" guidelines you can find them [here](#). (Google it if the site is not working, which it wasn't earlier today).

We will provide you with more information pertaining to the reopening of school by Friday, July 24th. We greatly appreciate your patience and understanding as we navigate the ever-changing rules and regulations put out by the city's health department.

We hope and pray that you and your families are well through these difficult times.

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