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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Many of you may have heard the announcement from Secretary of Education regarding the future of the public school year. New Mexico officials have officially closed public schools for the remainder of the school year. I know that the public school system has not fully continued the education of their students during the closure of school facilities due to many different challenges. The Catholic schools; however, from day one have established protocols to insure that the students continue their studies in other ways. Our students have been involved in google classrooms, zoom meetings, various online programs, received packets and participated in many other creative opportunities. Our education is continuing for students, both in their academic as well as their spiritual development. The principals, teachers, support staff and the Office of Catholic schools are committed to ensuring that your children are receiving quality instruction while in a different fashion. I want to assure you of the dedication that these individuals have for the success of your children.

We are still open, we are still providing education, we are still supporting your students and we do take our mission very seriously. I understand that some of your financial situations have changed due to this shut down. I encourage you to contact your principal if you are facing difficulty. I know that they will work with you in order to continue your children's education. At the Archdiocesan level we are seeking donations to assist those who are faced with these issues. As funding becomes available, I will contact your principal to determine the level of need.

The relationship with your family is extremely important to us and I know the care and concern that every principal and teacher has for your family is strong. We all miss seeing your children on our campuses. Together with prayer and perseverance we will get through this uncertain time.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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