



November 2, 2020

Dear Mount Vernon Christian School Community,

Thank you!! We are grateful for the opportunity to see our students and staff in person each day. We are grateful for the families that have made the choice to partner with us as we seek to prepare students to serve God and their neighbor. We are grateful to our team of faculty and staff who demonstrate great care for our students each day. We are grateful that God controls all things and sustains all things. We have so much to be thankful for. May we never lose sight of all that is good, true, honorable, just, pure, lovely, commendable and excellent.

Here are some updates or reminders:

- We continue to operate at [Level Green](#) with no known cases with families, faculty and staff closely adhering to MVC's safety protocols.
- Please remember to screen your children prior to attending school each day. Page 7 of the [Return to School Playbook](#) has the screening questions. Please see other updates from us about underlying conditions, etc.
- WA DOH and OSPI put out updated guidelines on October 28. Two items in the document were noteworthy for us.
  - Ventilation: we will have windows open and lots of ventilation in our indoor spaces. Please make sure your children dress appropriately as the temperatures drop. Wearing layers will prove to be the best strategy.
  - We will do a better job during lunch of keeping students in an environment that allows for them to keep proper distancing.
- As the holiday season approaches, please make sure you understand travel restrictions and guidelines. If you travel to certain areas you may be required to quarantine or get your children tested before they are allowed to return to school. Currently the State of Washington does not have restrictions within the US, however, there are some restrictions on international travel, including to Mexico. Here is a link to [holiday and travel information](#).
- Here is a video we put out on June 24, 2020. I am sending it again as we approach Election Night. Our kids see and they hear what we as adults are doing and saying. Please watch this video and model great virtue. [They See and They Hear](#)

In closing here is a prayer from the Book of Common Prayer #19. Please pray with your children as we approach Election Night.

ALMIGHTY God, the fountain of all wisdom: Guide and direct,  
we humbly beseech thee, the minds of all those who are called  
at this time to make choice of fit persons to serve in elected offices.  
Grant that in the exercise of their choice they may promote thy glory  
and the welfare of thy people;



and on those whom they shall choose, bestow,  
of thy goodness, the Spirit of wisdom and true godliness.  
And this we beg for the sake of Jesus Christ our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen.

Links you may find helpful:

**COVID-19 testing locations** throughout the state

**Governor's Dashboard**

**UPDATED OCT 16 Department of Health Decision Tree**

**Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction**

**State Board of Education**

**Washington Department of Health Covid-19 Dashboard**

**World Health Organization (WHO) CoVID-19 Dashboard**

**Center for Disease Control**

**National Institutes for Health**

**American Academy of Pediatrics**

Soli Deo Gloria,

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