



March 17th, 2020

Dear Great Oaks Families and Community Supporters,

We hope you are safe and well, as we all adjust to and prepare for this unprecedented time in our nation. As you know, media coverage of the coronavirus is widespread, and both the global and national situations are rapidly evolving. The intent of this letter is to provide Great Oaks Academy families and community supporters with general information about how Great Oaks Academy intends to respond to this emerging and serious situation.

Great Oaks Academy has recently found its home at Mt. Olivet Church in Apple Valley. (14201 Cedar Ave, Apple Valley, MN 55124) We are excited to execute our lease with Mt. Olivet and to move into the facility. Here is our plan for addressing COVID 19 which respects this serious epidemic and, yet, allows us to keep moving forward with introducing/marketing our school to interested families:

PARENT INFORMATION MEETINGS

For now, all Parent Information Meetings that were scheduled at libraries are cancelled, per the directive of the Dakota County Libraries. Once we have moved through this initial process of adapting to our new reality, we may attempt to convene small Parent Information Meetings. We would hold these weekly in-person Parent Information Meetings at our new facility. These in-person meetings will be capped at 8 or less total attendees. We will practice [social distancing](#) at these meetings and there will be no beverages or food served. These small meetings will provide parents an opportunity to tour the school and to fill out the necessary enrollment paperwork at the school. There will be an online sign up on our website. The online sign up will have several dates posted. If one meeting fills up online, then you may sign up for the next. Of course, these meetings will be dependent on how our state and national situation evolves. Please visit our [website](#) and [Facebook page](#) to keep up with announcements regarding the status of these meetings.

SCHOOL TOUR VIDEO

We will provide interested families a School Tour Video on our website. This will give them a sense of how our school floor plan is laid out and what our facility has to offer your children. We are so excited for families to see our school. The video may not be high quality, professional caliber but it will offer a glimpse of our school as seen through our director's i-phone.

ENROLLMENT FORMS

For parents who want to enroll but can't make it to the Parent Information Meetings in person, we are providing all enrollment forms on our website. They may be printed out, filled out and sent to the school address at *Great Oaks Academy C/O Paul McGlynn 14201 Cedar Ave. Apple Valley, MN 55124.* These enrollment forms may be found under the Future Families tab, then scroll down to Enrollment Packet and click on it. You will see three PDF forms that may be printed out. Click [HERE](#) to access the forms directly.

DIGITAL INTERACTION

In the next two weeks, we will be setting up Zoom Meetings for interested families. Once we have these meetings set up, we will send a link to families and, as well, put that link on our website and Facebook Page. These meeting will be interactive with the director and will have a downloadable agenda.

Finally, as always, interested parents may contact our director, Paul McGlynn, at mcglynnpj64@gmail.com or greatoaksacademymn@gmail.com or call him at 763-458-0113. This is a very challenging time for everyone. We will keep our Great Oaks Academy families, as well as all communities across our state and nation in our thoughts and hearts as we go through this difficult time. We look forward to providing your family and student(s) with a wonder-filled, classical education this fall, 2020.

Sincerely,

The Great Oaks Academy Board