



CHRISTIAN BROTHERS ACADEMY

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CBA Community:

The recent evolution of the Coronavirus situation in our immediate area behooves CBA to take proactive steps in order to aid in mitigating further spread of the virus. Although there are currently no students, faculty, or family members who have tested positive for Coronavirus, we recognize the unique nature of CBA as a regional school. The fact that we have students from a myriad of towns across three counties increases the possibility of cross contamination. It is with this reality in mind that **CBA will move to online instruction beginning Tuesday, March 17, 2020** (School is already closed Friday and Monday, March 13 and 16). The CBA campus will be closed to students and families until at least March 30, 2020. Should a situation arise where someone needs access to the campus, he or she should contact Brother Frank at BrFrank@cbalincroftnj.org. The administration will continually evaluate the situation and determine if further distance learning is necessary after March 30.

CBA is and has been prepared for this contingency. The PowerSchool Learning LMS has been in place for several years and is an effective platform for online learning; further, all students have computers as part of our Bring Your Own Device Program. Detailed directives from our Office of Academic Affairs will be shared with students and parents regarding the requirements of the online school day.

As part of these steps to protect our students and families, as well as the community, ALL extracurricular activities and community gatherings are cancelled or postponed until further notice. This includes all upcoming performances of the musical *Footloose*, all athletic practices and competitions, school trips, Varsity Sports Awards convocation, Father/Son Communion Breakfast, Mother/Son Dinner, and the Hall of Fame Gala. If any activities or events can be rescheduled, information about them will be provided separately. Events scheduled for later this year will be evaluated based on the most current information as the date(s) become closer, but further cancellations may be necessary.

Please note that in order for these actions to be successful it is paramount that we practice social distancing and that students actually stay home during this period of online instruction. CBA students should not view this as free time where they can be "out and about" in the community. Once again, we are taking these steps to protect our students, faculty, and families, as well as the community at large.

Sincerely,

R. Ross Fales
Principal

Brother Frank Byrne
President