

May 14, 2021

Dear SMSA Parents and Guardians,

As we prepare for our final week of the 2020-2021 academic year, I would like to thank you all for adapting gracefully to the changes that were put in place this year, solidifying the hope that we would remain learning in-person, five days a week, here on The Ledge.

Recently, the Fond du Lac County Health Department shared with us an update on contact trace quarantines. **In short, if both parties are properly masked, there is no need to quarantine those in close contact to the positive case.** To view the press release on this update, [click here](#).

In response to these new guidelines and recent positive cases on campus, we will remain steadfast in our plan to require all persons inside our walls to remain properly masked. This decision mitigates the need for close contact quarantine for all students, staff and faculty in the event they were near a positive case. I trust you will support this decision, as it provides the best opportunity for our seniors to attend graduation, our students to attend their end-of-the-year extracurricular activities or any other planned events they may have in the next couple of weeks.

We appreciate you choosing Catholic education at SMSA and acknowledge that you have educational choices. Rest assured, we do not take lightly the commitment you are making, or the expectations you have for excellence and safety. Thank you for your faith, trust and ongoing support of all who serve students on the Ledge!

In your Service,

Stacey Akey, President

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