



March 18, 2021

Dear Parents and Guardians:

During this school year, we have provided in-person learning at home schools, following Niagara Public Health COVID-19 protocols, and virtual learning at the Niagara Catholic Virtual Elementary School.

We have had several formal transition days for students to move from virtual to in-person, or in-person to virtual, in recognition of supporting parent choice throughout the year. We also permitted transitions to occur on a case-by-case basis, outside of these formal transition periods, to respond to unique and changing circumstances in the family environment.

While providing families with the benefit of choice, these transitions have caused instability in our schools and classes. In some cases, this has resulted in teachers being changed at various points in the year.

To alleviate this disruption, the final date for individual transitions is *Tuesday, April 6, 2021*.

Should you wish to make a request to change your child's mode of learning, a written request for a transition must be submitted to the home school principal, no later than *Wednesday, March 24, 2021*.

The home school principal will review the request, the available space at the school, and will make a recommendation to the Superintendent of Education. The home school principal will notify you of the decision.

Please contact your home school principal if you have any further questions.

Thank you for your continued support during this 2020-2021 school year, as we work together to provide Catholic education to our students.

Niagara Catholic is currently preparing for the 2021-2022 school year, and we are hopeful that all students will be in-person for September.

Sincerely,

Camillo Cipriano  
Director of Education