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Bishop England High School transitions to online learning

CHARLESTON – Due to several students testing positive for COVID-19, in an abundance of caution, Bishop England High School will transition to online learning beginning Dec. 9. Below is a letter from Patrick Finneran, school principal, that was sent to parents on Dec. 8.

“Bishop England High School received information today that another student has tested positive for COVID-19. The school followed the previous protocol of contacting the families of those students considered to have close contact, and these students will quarantine for the next fourteen days. If the school did not contact you, your student is not considered to be in close contact.

“In an abundance of caution for the health and safety of our school community, the school has received approval from the Diocese of Charleston Schools’ Office to begin 100% virtual learning starting Wednesday, December 9, 2020, until the end of the first semester on December 17, 2020. The school has canceled all extracurricular activities until further notice. Students were told to take home all books today. If your child needs any items from his/her locker after today, please contact the main office for assistance.

“We will operate on our traditional schedule and follow the rotating schedule (found in the attached guidelines). Students will log-in for each class period daily using the Microsoft Teams platform unless otherwise advised by the teacher. Students will follow all policies found in the attached guidelines for virtual learning.

“The health and safety of our school community is our top priority, so we need your assistance. The partnership between home and school is essential. If your child starts showing symptoms or receives a positive test result, we ask that you contact the school. This information will enable us to communicate any future concerns with students considered to have close contact.

“Bishop England High School will provide additional information as needed. Feel free to contact me if you have any questions. Let us continue to pray for each other and all who have been affected by COVID-19.”

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