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Re: School Announcement

Dear SCA Parents and Guardians,

As you know, the rules regarding Health Orders and schools are in a constant state of flux. You have always relied on SCA to provide a safe environment for your children to learn in.

We recognize that there is a lot of talk in the media about requirements for schools. You can continue to rely on SCA to interpret the Health Orders and create an environment that is free of fear and filled with faith. The 2021/2022 school year will be no different as we come alongside you and teach your children the Manitoba Curriculum, life skills and the Word of God.

Although we recognize that we normally share more detailed plans with you, this is very difficult to do at this time due to the current state of flux and uncertainty. As we reflect on the last year, we know that SCA kept our staff and students safe. SCA offered alternative educational arrangements for families who needed it. SCA followed all health orders, while minimizing their effect on our students. We will continue to do these things. Rest assured that at SCA we will continue to promote the Faith over Fear message and do everything in our power to keep everyone as safe as possible.

We recognize that there might be specific questions regarding Health Orders. To help parents/guardians with this, SCA has created a Health Liaison position that staff and parents/guardians can connect with regarding any specific SCA health policy or Health Order questions. Our Health Liaison is Jon Kessler, you can contact him at (431) 588-4696 or email <u>health@springs.ca</u> with any questions and concerns.

We have received guidance on school mask usage for K-12. We can share the following government document with you that allows you, as the parent, to determine if your child has an exemption from wearing a mask. Link.

If you have any questions about this form and filling it out, you can contact Jon Kessler. He will be able to answer your questions.

As stated in the *Guidance for Mask Use in Schools*, "It is important that children understand that no one should be treated differently for wearing a mask or for not wearing a mask."

Our school theme this year is 'Speak Life'.

Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable - if anything is excellent or praiseworthy - think about such things. Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me

## - put into practice. And the God of peace will be with you. Phil 4:8-9

We are looking forward to speaking life into the lives of our students and encouraging them to focus on speaking life into their own lives and the lives of those around them.

God Bless, Kim Fuller and Wesley Meyer