

Hi all,

I'd like to use the space of this letter to make a series of announcements and to provide some updates on how we, as a school, will be moving forward. Let's start with some great news. On Monday afternoon, Elizabeth Whitworth's baby was born. Both Elizabeth and the baby are happy and healthy. As a community we couldn't be happier for Elizabeth's family.

Unfortunately, we also have some sad news. Over the weekend, Mrs. Renaud broke her ankle. The break was severe enough to require surgery, which happened this morning. Your prayers for a speedy and healthy recovery are certainly encouraged. Mrs. Renaud is likely to be out through Christmas break.

While we had anticipated Mrs. Whitworth's long-term absence, we obviously had not anticipated Mrs. Renaud's. Originally, I had planned to cover Mrs. Whitworth's class, and the administration had planned to divvy up her Campus Ministry responsibilities. Those plans changed with Mrs. Renaud's long-term absence. Mr. Becker will now be teaching Mrs. Whitworth's class. He is stepping in because I will be taking over all of Mrs. Renaud's classes. We are currently looking for long-term substitutes for both positions, but until qualified candidates are found, we will be covering their absences internally.

While I am certainly happy to be back in the classroom, the time I spend there may prevent me from doing some of the other duties I enjoy as principal. For starters, I will need to postpone the **Duchesne Reads Book Club**, indefinitely. Additionally, these letters may not come out as frequently.

Sincerely,

Dominic D'Urso



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## Upcoming Events

October 24	<ul> <li>Parent/Teacher Conferences: Teachers will be available to meet with parents from 3:00-4:30 and again from 5:15-6:30. Those meetings will take place in the PAC (main entrance); there is no need to RSVP.</li> <li>Volleyball District Championship: The girls will play in the district championship Thursday at 6:00. Tickets are \$6 and no passes are allowed.</li> </ul>
October 25	Home Football
October 27	<b>Open House:</b> The school will be open to prospective students and families. Many of our current students and parents will be on campus to give tours and answer questions.
October 28	No School
October 29	<b>Pioneer Reads:</b> I am so sorry to do this, but we are indefinitely postponing our discussion on <i>The Anxious Generation.</i> We will not meet on the 29th.
October 30	<b>Grandparents Day:</b> Please see the invitation mailed out by our advancement office. RSVP by the 25th.
	<b>Fall Concert:</b> Our bands and choirs will perform at 7:00. Doors open at 6:30.
November 1	<b>All School Mass:</b> As usual, all of our families are invited to attend.
November 2	<b>District Cross Country:</b> The district meet will take place at in Fulton. Our runners will be competing for a chance to run at the state meet.
Looking Ahead (More Details Soon)	
November 25-29	Thanksgiving Break