



**REVEREND DANIEL B. CARSON**

VICAR GENERAL AND MODERATOR OF THE CURIA

Dear Brother Priest,

I write today to share with you the following statement released today, August 3<sup>rd</sup>, from the archdiocese regarding the reopening of Catholic schools:

**Statement from the Office of Catholic Schools**  
**Regarding Governor Hogan's Emergency Order to Prohibit**  
**Blanket School Closures**

*The Archdiocese of Washington is grateful to learn of Governor Hogan's Emergency Order to Prohibit Blanket School Closures that allows private and parochial schools the autonomy and flexibility to make reopening decisions in line with public health guidelines. We will continue to work with our educators and communities to ensure the safe re-opening of the schools of the Archdiocese of Washington and continue to place the health and wellbeing of our children at the forefront of our efforts.*

Also, linked [here](#) is the statement issued by Governor Hogan upon the issuance of the Emergency Order.

Additional information will be shared with pastors of schools in the coming days by Ms. Kelly Branaman, Interim Superintendent for Catholic Schools. Ms. Branaman can be reached at [branamank@adw.org](mailto:branamank@adw.org).

As ever, should you have questions or need assistance from my office or the Pastoral Center, please let us know. Please be assured of my prayers for you.

With gratitude for your service, I am  
Sincerely in Christ,  
Reverend Daniel B. Carson  
Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia

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