July 30, 2020

Dear Stakeholders of the Bishop Shanahan Community,

As we approach the start of another school year, there are concerns as to the health and safety of the students, faculty and staff when we open in September. The Plan for reopening is fully supported by The Board of Directors. During the process of creating The Plan, the administration and the BSHS Task Force charged with developing The Plan kept The Board informed as to the issues and strategies pursued to address the issues. The goal is to provide procedures that will keep our students, faculty and staff safe and healthy, while delivering an excellent educational experience.

Please familiarize yourself with the details of The Plan. It is an excellent example of Shanahan ingenuity and persistence when faced with a challenge. The BSHS Task Force worked for many weeks and countless hours to sweat the details of this highly complicated effort. In order for it to be effective, we need all stakeholders to do their part.

In a sign of our Shanahan strong support of The Plan, The Board of Directors will personally fund the purchase of four Temperature Verification Kiosks (www.meridiankiosks.com/solutions/personnel-management-solution), which checks the temperature of everyone who enters the building. This adds another level of protection, and compliments the procedures addressed by The Plan. Also, the TVK’s help speed the process of moving the population onto the important business of teaching and learning. This too is an example of the Bishop Shanahan community using technology to help manage through the logistics around the reopening effort.

We are ready to open this September. Please know that the health and safety of our students, faculty and staff are the first concern of all of us at Bishop Shanahan. We have a creative, thoughtful plan that will allow us to do what we do best. Enjoy the rest of the summer. I hope you have fun. Also, it’s not too soon to start preparing for September.

Thank you for all you do for Bishop Shanahan.

God bless,

John P. Morrissey P’07,’09,’12,’16
Chair, Board of Directors