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Parents and families,

It is hard to believe that at this time last year we had just finished our first run at NTI and we all did our best to find a way to end the school year on a positive note. We were faced with so much uncertainty and none of us knew what the future was going to look like for the 2020-2021 school year as we closed for the summer. It felt like each day we received a new update or mandate.

Fast forward to today and look where we are and where we have been. Every household in our diocese rolled up their sleeves and found a way to navigate through the most challenging school year that any of us have ever seen and hopefully ever will. The ability for each of you to adapt to this ever changing landscape for our children was something I will never forget.

I just want to take this opportunity to sincerely thank you for all of your patience and support over the past year. It has been amazing to watch our families step up and do whatever was asked of them to keep our schools open and safe. We were all on one team with the same goals!

We can now start to see the light at the end of the tunnel, but our battle is not completely over. We know that we have to continue to be vigilant and we will continue to monitor this virus. Our office and schools are working and praying to open as "normally" as we can in the fall. I ask that you continue the efforts and support that you have given to your schools, so that we as a diocese can continue to give our students the best possible education.

May God bless each of you and may the Holy Spirit continue to guide us all.

David Kessler – Superintendent