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Parents and Guardians,

On July 20, 2020 the Kentucky Department for Public Health issued a travel advisory with the recommendation of a **14-day self-quarantine** for travelers who went to any of the states reporting positive testing rate equal to or greater than 15 percent-of COVID-19 testing.

It was also recommended by the state to use extra precaution traveling to states reporting positive testing rate equal to or greater than 10 percent-of COVID-19 testing.

In following these recommendations the Diocese of Owensboro has included the following policy in its “Return to Work and School” document:

If you have traveled to a state with a positivity rate for COVID-19 at or above 15%, you must quarantine at home for 14 days. Or, you may quarantine for 5 days and then take a COVID-19 test. Upon testing negative for COVID-19, you may then return to work or school, staying masked and socially distanced for the remaining 14 days at work and school.

The positivity rate in each state is constantly changing. Therefore we want to families to be aware that if you are planning a trip, there may be a possibility that the state you are planning on visiting could fall under the list of those with a 15% or higher positivity rate. These states are updated on the KY COVID-19 website: <https://govstatus.egov.com/kycovid19> It is essential for everyone to take this into account as they continue to plan for the future.

We are still asking you to be patient as we continually work together for the best possible school year for our students and families. We are committed to this and we will all get through this together!

God Bless,

David Kessler
Superintendent of Catholic Schools