


<b>Purpose: Ascension School Board</b>	President: Natalie Ising	Secretary: Abby Simon
	Meeting Date: January 5, 2021	

The **Vision** of the Ascension staff is to foster a Catholic community that models Jesus' teaching at home, school and in our community. We strive to ensure an academic program of excellence, which challenges each student to achieve his/her maximum potential. Our goal is to expand student involvement in global issues, technology, foreign language, and cultural programs.

<b>Living Faith</b>	We achieve through sustained prayer and faith-filled interaction with each other that marks us as Ascension.
<b>Embracing Community</b>	We achieve through active participation in service to our parish, neighborhood, metro areas and global community.
<b>Encouraging Opportunity</b>	We achieve through activities, whether in traditional or community classroom, to enhance ways in which students learn so they can continue to be life-long learners.
<b>Respecting Giftedness</b>	We achieve by providing a level of instruction to challenge students to extend beyond the basics to maximize their potential in their areas of strength.
<b>Celebrating Excellence</b>	We achieve through recognition of student accomplishments and alumni that say, "Well done!"

In Attendance on Zoom: Terry Mullaney, Fr. Adam Carrico, Natalie Ising, Abby Simon, Juli Evers, Helen Walter, John Amback, Greg Benner, Kristin Jansen, Andrea Yorgy, Stephanie Koenig, Josh Mullin

	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Presenter</b>	<b>Discussion, Assignment and Responsibilities</b>	<b>Follow-Up</b>
	Approval of Minutes	Abby Simon	Via email	
<b>Living Faith</b>	Opening Prayer	Fr. Adam		

			Prayer led by Fr. Adam	
<b>Encouraging Opportunity</b>	Staggered start – Arch./Gov./Health dept.	Terry Mullaney	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Archdiocese approved staggered start plan</li> <li>• Confident in our plans for re-entry</li> </ul>	
<b>Encouraging Opportunity</b>	Personnel update	Terry Mullaney	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2<sup>nd</sup> grade teacher resigned</li> <li>• Autumn Shell and Kelly Hood will teach 2<sup>nd</sup></li> </ul>	
<b>Encouraging Opportunity</b>	PTS conferences	Terry Mullaney	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Virtual conferences will be held in January</li> </ul>	
<b>Encouraging Opportunity</b>	MAP testing	Terry Mullaney	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Window extended until February 12</li> </ul>	
<b>Encouraging Opportunity</b>	News from the board			

	Next Meeting	February 2, 2021@ 5:30pm		

**Mission:** As a vital ministry of the Church of the Ascension, our school's mission is to recognize the uniqueness of all students in a caring, disciplined environment that exemplifies Christ's command to serve one another. Ascension School fosters excellence in academics and promotes spiritual, intellectual, emotional, and physical growth of the whole child.

The faculty, supported by the parish staff, School Board, and Parent Teacher Organization (PTO), recognizes that students must be prepared to meet challenges of an ever changing world and to live cooperatively as critical thinkers and problem solvers in a global society. Love of GOD, human dignity, justice, ecumenism, service to others, stewardship, and excellence are among the values lived.