

March 13, 2020

Dear Perspectives Families,

I know that there is so much information about COVID-19, and I want to assure you that we are diligently monitoring COVID-19 and following the advice and guidance of the <u>Chicago Department of Health</u>, <u>Chicago Public Schools</u>, and the <u>Center for Disease Control</u>.

On our end, here is the essential information you need to know:

Cancellations until further notice:

- **Perspectives sanctioned trips of any kind** (including field studies, college tours, career shadowing, etc.)
- All activities involving more than 50 persons including:
 - Assemblies
 - Games/Competitions

• Visitors/Community Groups Gatherings

- Non-essential visitors will be limited at all campuses
- Community Groups cannot gather at our campuses

Postponements:

Academic Bowl

To be Determined:

- PMA Career Fair
- Parent Teacher Conferences
- Graduations
- Prom
- Peace March
- Athletic Events/Summer School

Alternate Learning:

- In the event CPS mandates that Perspectives closes all of our campuses or Perspectives closes one or more campuses, we will be implementing an Alternate Learning Plan. Please see the attached letter explaining our procedures and expectations should this occur.
- Attendance during the period the Alternate Learning Plan is in place is mandatory unless there is an excused absence.

Attendance:

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• While our campuses remain open, if you choose to keep your child at home because they or another family member is ill, the absence will be considered an excused absence. However, please make sure to contact your child's school attendance office, and arrange to pick up any at home work/learning packets.

Reminders/Precautions:

- Practice good hygiene
- Practice Social Distancing
- Any students or staff who feel ill should stay home and not return to work or school until they are free of fever (oral temperature below 100.4°F). If their condition worsens, they must seek medical attention immediately. Quarantine would apply only to a confirmed infected individual and to any persons with first-degree exposure to COVID-19.
 - If a person is exposed to an individual who is infected with COVID-19 and has direct contact with family, colleagues, and others, those people are considered to have had first-degree exposure.
 - Second-degree contacts are people who have been in contact with a first-degree contact. Second degree contacts do not require quarantine.
 - Third-degree contacts are those who had contact with a second-degree contact. Just as the second-degree contact does not require quarantine, neither does a third-degree contact.

Resources:

- Perspectives COVID-19 Updates
- <u>Chicago Public Schools</u>
- <u>Chicago Department of Public Health</u>
- Internet Essentials

<u>School will be open on Monday, March 16, 2020</u>, unless we update you otherwise. You can find all of our updated communications and helpful links on our website at <u>https://pcsedu.org/pcs-about/news/</u>.

Again, now more than ever is the time to utilize our 26 Principles. Please remember to lead with compassion. And thank you for your patience and understanding as we continue to *Seek Wisdom* and *Take Initiative* to safeguard our community's health. If you have any questions, please reach out to your school leader or me.

Sincerely,

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