



Dear Families,

After much deliberation, City of Fountains School leadership has made the difficult yet proactive decision to close school beginning tomorrow, Monday, March 16. Our current plan is to welcome all students back to school on Monday, March 30, following the scheduled spring break. However, we know that in this rapidly changing environment, we must be ready to adjust our plan and communicate as the situation warrants.

We have chosen to take a more proactive and precautionary stance out of concern for our whole community. The spread of COVID-19 has caused major disruptions to our daily lives and will continue to create uncertainties in the near future. We want to assure you that the safety and health of the children in our school is our top priority.

Second only to the safety and well-being of our students, faculty and staff is our commitment to the continuity in delivering our educational programming. In the event that school remains closed beyond spring break, we will initiate our Distance Learning Program (DLP). Our staff and teachers are working in partnership to create meaningful learning experiences for our grades students and provide support for families at home with children in early childhood programs. We look forward to providing you additional details about this program soon.

To prepare our students for the new experience of beyond the classroom learning, we will soon share a schedule for picking up personal items and school materials such as lesson books, crayons, colored pencils, flutes, etc.

Here's a look at our schedule for the upcoming weeks:

- **March 16-20** - No students or classes; faculty/staff report to work or meet virtually
- **March 23-27** - Spring Break (please consider postponing or canceling travel)
- **March 29** - A decision to continue with school closure will be made and announced by this date

Please be prepared to continue receiving [updates](#) and communications from the school and the faculty as we continuously work to address how to best support our families.

During this uncertain time, we thank you for your patience and understanding of our effort to ensure the health and safety of everyone in our community. We recognize the challenge this school closure may create for some families in our community, and we want to affirm that this decision was not made lightly.

Ultimately, by closing our school, we are choosing to uplift humanity – to embrace this opportunity to protect, support, and care for our entire community – including our elders, those with underlying health conditions and the many health care providers working diligently to meet an overwhelming need that shows no sign of abating.

As always, please continue to reach out with comments, questions, ideas and concerns as we navigate the days and weeks ahead.

Wishing you health and courage,
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