

Dear Carmel Christian Families,

Our team is closely monitoring all guidance and directives provided by the <u>Centers for Disease Control</u> as well as <u>state</u> and <u>local</u> health departments and our desire is to provide you with the most current CCS information in light of these directives. On March 12, the state of North Carolina issued additional recommendations regarding large events and activities. At this time, NC health officials have not issued a recommendation to schools for preemptive closing, so our aim is to remain open. We will make adjustments to this plan as needed to continue to promote a healthy environment.

As a result of the current NC recommendations, the following decisions have been made for the continued health and safety of our CCS community:

- All off-campus school trips are suspended until further notice. This includes, but is not limited to:
 - Class and Grade-Level Field Trips
 - Athletic Trips
 - Arts Trips
 - ACSI Competitions

CCS students will not participate even if these events occur.

- After school activities will continue until further notice. This includes, but is not limited to:
 - Athletic Practices (as feasible) and Strength & Conditioning Training
 - Arts Rehearsals
 - Extended Day and Enrichment Programs

Please consult Dynacal for the most current information.

- Athletic Games, Tournaments and Trips are suspended until further notice. Practices and Strength & Conditioning will continue as feasible.
- Effective immediately, all non-essential CCS visitors and guests (including parent and alumni lunch visitors) will not be permitted beyond our lobby without an appointment with a faculty or staff member. We thank you for your understanding as we strive to minimize the spread of germs. As a result, the following events are cancelled:
 - Muffins with Moms (Apr 3)
 - Cornerstone Prayer (Apr 3)
 - Grandparent Prayer (Apr 6)
 - HS Mom Prayer (Thursdays)
 - Parent Attendance to Elementary Spring Parties (Apr 9)
- We continue to establish readiness plans for distance learning, should that become necessary. Today, our faculty received initial training and continued to plan at the divisional level.
- We are currently working on a plan for a re-imagined 7th/8th Grade Banquet (Mar 27). More information coming soon!

We will continue to communicate with you as CCS plans are updated to reflect new directives. For your convenience, we have added a *Coronavirus: CCS Community Updates* webpage where you can easily locate all CCS communications on this topic as well as the most recent updates. Thank you for your prayerful support as we work diligently to ensure the continued health and well-being of our CCS community.

Sincerely, Jay Hancock, BS, MDiv, DMin CCS Head of School



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