



UNIVERSITY PREPARATION CHARTER SCHOOL AT CSU CHANNEL ISLANDS

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*****UPDATE ON SCHOOL CLOSURE*****

Dear UPCS Families,

Like you, we are all concerned about the spread of the novel coronavirus/COVID-19 and the uncertainty it's creating in our daily lives. Yesterday evening Ventura County Public Health department declared a local health emergency, which will provide additional resources for coronavirus response. As a result of this declaration and in the interest of the health of our community, University Preparation Charter School, along with many other local school districts, will **close beginning Monday, March 16 through Friday, March 20**. We hope to reopen on Monday, March 23, but that decision will be based on recommendations from public health depending on the circumstances at the time. We will update families about our plans no later than Friday, March 20. We understand that school closures have significant impacts on our students and families and we hope to resume normal operations as soon as possible. We have had no confirmed cases in our school community. We are still working to evaluate events as they unfold on a case by case basis.

The following events have been cancelled at this time up through Spring Break:

- Regular school fieldtrips (We are rescheduling 8th grade Washington DC trip. Miss Colón will be sending updates once the reschedule dates are confirmed.)
- All Ballet Folklorico Performances will be rescheduled to a later date
- Spring Break Intervention Camp
- All sporting games and soccer tryouts
- Assemblies
- The Middle School Environmental Science Conference
- McTeacher Night

Families that use our onsite Childcare program:

- We will be closed next week

Families that participate in the Federal Lunch Program:

There will be lunches available for pickup at one of the PVSD schools. We will let you know the location as soon as possible.

We do not make these decisions without enormous thought and input from county and state officials. We thank you for your understanding during this challenging time.

Distance Learning Opportunities: We have worked to provide children with opportunities to learn from home. This is completely optional and will not provide any new learning just practice of skills already learned.

- Teachers will use ParentSquare to notify parents of possible learning/practice opportunities online with links and/or login information.
- We have ordered workbooks for those families that do not have internet access at home. Contact your child's teacher via ParentSquare or school email if you would like access to a workbook.
- Middle School students without a device may contact Miss Evans to check out a Chromebook.
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Again, this is optional and will not be graded.

The health and safety of our entire community is extremely important to us and while we know school closures create a strain on families we need to follow the recommendations from the experts to keep everyone safe. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Charmon E. Evans
Executive Director