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Dear Parents/Guardians:

We appreciate everyone's patience and understanding as we continue to monitor the coronavirus (COVID-19) response. Please check the [Centers for Disease Control](#) (CDC) for updates and frequently asked questions.

The [San Diego County Office of Education](#) has also launched a new website with helpful information.

As a reminder, The Winston School will be shifting to distance learning and enrichment activities. In order to prevent the spread of COVID-19, students are not to report to campus effective **Monday, March 16**, and will return to school after Spring Break on **Monday, April 6**, unless conditions call for an extension.

This also includes Saturday School.

Our faculty and staff will be conducting professional development via Google Hangouts on Monday, March 16, and will be reaching out to students beginning on Tuesday, March 17. **Faculty and staff will not be on campus.** Details will be forthcoming and updates added to our school website at [The Winston School](#) under the **Student Life** tab—**Activities**.

Starting Tuesday, March 17, please have students check their Google accounts and PowerSchool for assignments and support until Friday, March 27. Spring Break will be from Monday, March 30, to Friday, April 3, during which time the school will be closed for staff and students.

Teaching staff, the Assistant Dean of Students, Riley Alvord, and I will be conducting phone calls to touch base with all our families. It is important that though we have to remain physically apart, we can stay connected. Winston is here to support you and your family.

Each school district has arranged for food distribution for families who are food insecure. There are local sites where families can go to pick-up meals and food. No ID's are required. Please go to your school district's main website if you need more information on this program.

We understand that this is a time of uncertainty and concern. We are committed to working together, with support from public health officials, to keep students, families, and staff safe.

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We encourage the community to stay informed of the situation by regularly checking updates from the San Diego County Public Health Services and the Centers for Disease Control (CDC). The Winston School will continue to monitor the situation and provide updates as necessary.

Warmly,

A handwritten signature in purple ink, appearing to read 'D. Harris', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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