



April 2, 2020

Dear High School Parents,

I wanted to send an update following the communication we received yesterday regarding the decision to extend the Remote Learning Protocol through April 30. These are challenging times and I am thankful for our leadership's faith in God to provide direction during these unprecedented times.

Here are a few updates for moving forward:

- To allow for more consistency, High School teachers will make assignments by 9:00 AM. They won't make assignments every day, but students will be able to see their assignments for their classes by 9:00 AM.
- Assignments will be due by 11:59 PM of the day they are due. Students can certainly turn them in earlier, but the deadline will be 11:59 PM.
- Next week, we will stay with the planned schedule for a three day week. Monday will be a professional development day for teachers and we will be off for Good Friday. I hope the short week and the upcoming Easter weekend will allow our entire community to rest, refresh, and worship.
- Our worship team will continue to send out a remote chapel video via our Facebook and Instagram formats. I hope that students and families are taking this time each week to pray, worship, and seek God's direction during this time.
- As teachers are getting used to this remote learning format, we felt the need to have some available times for teachers to host video meetings with their classes without conflicting with other teachers. Below is a chart of "Video Office Hours" for each department by day and block of time. Teachers will communicate with their classes regarding the specific times and some teachers may offer additional times with their classes or small groups/individuals as well.

<b>Day</b>	<b>AM 8:30-12:30</b>	<b>PM 12:30-4:30</b>
Monday	Social Sciences	Bible
Tuesday	English	Math
Wednesday	Fine Arts	Science
Thursday	Foreign Language	Advisory
Friday	Open	Open

Teachers will continue to use PCR to communicate assignments. However, we want to allow teachers to use the technologies available to them to make sure they are providing the best opportunity for students to learn under these unusual circumstances. Some teachers may use tools such as Google Classroom, Zoom, YouTube, or other programs to enhance their lessons. Each teacher will be able to help students who are experiencing difficulties with any of these tools and are available for questions during normal school hours.

Working from home these past couple of weeks, I am reminded even more about how much more proficient our kids are with technology than most of us and I trust that they will be able to work with teachers to figure out any problems or difficulties. Some may just need a little more help than others and that is what our teachers and IT department are available to do. Please don't hesitate to reach out to them if you need any help.



I would also ask that we all remember that this is a completely unprecedented situation for our nation and our world. That is the case for all of us. As I've asked teachers to have grace and understanding of their students and parents during this time, I would also humbly ask for the same from our community. If we all work together, and with God's help, I believe we can make it through these challenges that we face. That brings me to the following scripture that I wanted to share with you. Have a great day and may God continue to bless you all!

"I saw the Lord always before me. Because he is at my right hand, I will not be shaken. Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices; my body also will rest in hope, because you will not abandon me to the realm of the dead, you will not let your holy one see decay. You have made known to me the paths of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence."

Acts 2:25-28

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