

March 23, 2020

Greetings La Cima Families,

La Cima's school culture is rooted in our four C.A.R.E principles (Community, Accountability, Reconciliation, and Effective Effort). While we could never have foreseen the enormous scale and human impact of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak, the importance of our principle of COMMUNITY, has not been more relevant.

While the circumstances have been disruptive to our usual routines, it has not disrupted our commitment to our mission and vision. In the weeks ahead, we will continue to thrive as a professional learning community. We will do so by employing the values of creativity and perseverance. This unprecedented experience has caused the best of us to emerge. La Cima teachers have been available, thoughtful, warm and caring. La Cima families have been patient, flexible and supportive. Our scholars have been curious, resilient and eager.

Teaching and learning will continue until we are able to return to our usual routine. I have outlined the expectations for our education continuity plan:

- 3/23-3/27: Students will continue working on their home learning packets. Hard copies were distributed. Soft copies are available online.
- 3/30-4/3: Student assignments will be posted online using Google Classroom
- 4/6-4/10: Instructional Planning Week (virtual learning will continue as contact will be limited among La Cima staff due to instructional planning)
- 4/13-4/20: Student assignments will be posted online using Google Classroom
- In the event we are not able to return to our building as planned for 4/23 and beyond: Student assignments will include live lessons and assignments on Google Classroom
- Student attendance will be taken each day based on completion of online assignments.
- Scholars with special needs and English language learners will receive the support and services they require in our virtual platforms.

To optimize the online learning experience, be sure to:

- ✓ Designate a quiet and consistent space to work.
- ✓ Adhere to the learning schedule provided to you.
- ✓ Use a timer or alarm, to help routines stick.
- ✓ Make sure students read EVERY DAY.

If you need assistance with technology or have any questions, please reach out to your child's teacher or your Operations support team member.

We thank you for your indelible support during this harrowing season. We ask that you continue to allay our students' fears by sharing the ways to stay healthy during this outbreak. Teach students to wash their hands, to cover their sneezes and coughs with their arms (not their hands). Reassure them that we will all be just fine and we will be back to school soon. Until then, stay safe La Cima Family. We will get through this together.

In Partnership,
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OUR MISSION

To prepare students for academic and life-long success through a rigorous and relevant academic program.

OUR VISION

To develop students who have the intellectual capacity, social capital and emotional strength of character to be personally successful and to act as effective change-makers in their communities.