

Dear All Saints Community,

I hope you are having a good Spring Break. Like all of you, I have been intently following reports of the novel Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19). Our thoughts and prayers are with those affected by COVID-19 both at home and abroad. At present, 42 states and the District of Columbia have confirmed cases of COVID-19.

At All Saints, the safety and well-being of our children is our highest priority. Given that many members of our community have traveled within the U.S. and abroad during the past week and in an overabundance of caution, we have made the decision to transition to an e-learning environment from March 16-20, 2020. The departmental team leads and I have been meeting to ensure a smooth transition so that the students can continue to learn and grow, albeit remotely. As you know, our students are well-versed in e-learning with our integral use of technology in the learning environment.

The decision to move to virtual instruction was not made lightly. The goal of these changes is to minimize the need to gather in large groups and spend prolonged time in close proximity with each other. Our actions are consistent with the recommendations of leading health officials on how to limit the spread of COVID-19 as well as the actions of Plano Independent School District and several other school districts in Collin County.

We will continue to monitor and evaluate the situation and will communicate with you as information becomes available.

Departmental Team Leads will be in touch via email regarding specifics of e-learning for your children. The teachers will be gathering on Monday. By Monday afternoon, they will be sending a list of textbooks/supplies that your children need for the remainder of the week. Students in 1st-8th grade that do not have these supplies (including Chromebooks) may come to pick up these items on Tuesday, March 17 between 7:30 am-8:30 am. After that time, the building will be closed to students. E-learning will commence on Tuesday, March 17, at 9:00 am.

I know that this is a difficult and unprecedented time in our nation's history. I also know that our community is strong, and we will be resilient as we move forward together.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Yours in Christ,
Shana Druffner