



Charleston Day School

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Dear Charleston Day School Families,

We just completed day two of Remote Learning, and despite a few expected glitches, we have received many positive emails from families regarding what they were seeing and hearing in their homes. In many ways, I am pleased that you are able to see a small slice of the magic that our teachers create in the classroom each day. As a school, we value the fact that our community extends beyond the walls of the classroom and creates a sense of stability and comfort for our students and families. This connection is even more important today as we face our nation's current challenges.

With Spring Break vacation upon us, I wanted to give you a sense of what the schedule might look like following the break. At this point, in accordance with Governor McMaster's mandate, we anticipate utilizing Remote Learning through at least April 10. As always, we continue to consult with other independent schools, local and national authorities, and medical personnel as we make decisions regarding school operations. Please know that we will continue to keep you updated regarding any changes.

As families begin to settle into remaining at home for an extended period, our school counselor, Allison Nesser, shared a few resources to help ease that transition:

[Calm & Connected Podcast #61: Coping with Coronavirus \(COVID-19\)](#)

[Awesome Play Ideas for Families at Home](#)

[Coping Skills for Dealing with the Coronavirus](#)



In closing, I wanted to share one of my favorite quotes. Margaret Meade stated, "Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has." While I am not suggesting that the Charleston Day School Community will change the world (although I have great faith in many of our graduates), I do know that as a community we will weather what lies ahead together. In these uncertain times, we recognize that there may be additional financial stressors on families. Please don't worry alone – reach out to us so we might discuss how we could help. Please know that the faculty, staff and administration of the school are here to support you and your family.

Stay connected and take care of one another.

Warmly,

Judith