



March 13, 2020

Dear SFX parents,

Yesterday, Governor Whitmer announced a statewide closure of all K-12 school buildings in order to slow the spread of Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) in Michigan. As of this time, St. Francis Xavier School will be closed from Monday, March 16 through April 6<sup>th</sup>. All scheduled school events and meetings are either postponed or cancelled until further notice. A statement was issued from our Gala Auction Committee regarding the postponement of the gala. You should have received this email communication or you can find it on our school website.

We are currently planning on returning to school on Tuesday, April 7<sup>th</sup>. Leadership at the state level will continue to assess the situation. In the event of extensions to the mandatory school closure window, St. Francis Xavier School will provide updates to our school families.

Our teachers are providing students with some materials for students to continue their studies in the absence of classroom instruction. In some cases, this may be online instruction or enrichment activities. Our staff will have a limited window of time to access the school during the closure period. Our custodial staff will be utilizing the school closure time to thoroughly clean and sanitize the school.

Many families had travel plans during the scheduled spring break time. There are currently no directives in place for family travel with the exception of restrictions on international travel. According to a statement by the CDC, the "CDC does not generally issue advisories or restrictions for travel within the United States. However, cases of COVID-19 have been reported in many states, and some areas are experiencing community spread of the disease. Crowded travel settings, like airports, may increase your risk of exposure to COVID-19, if there are other travelers with COVID-19." At this time, families should monitor travel advisories for domestic travel and with social distancing recommendations.

The school will provide updates as they become available.

Yours in Christ,

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