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SCOTTSDALE CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

A Message to the SCA Community

Update on COVID-19 Contingency Plans

The safety of our families, students, and teachers at SCA remains our first priority. We are continuing to monitor the situation and are taking steps to keep our community healthy. As you are aware, this is a situation that requires continuous monitoring, and changes each day if not each hour. As a follow up to our last email, this letter serves to keep you informed.

There continue to be no confirmed cases reported at SCA or with anyone related to the SCA community. SCA has developed contingency plans for your students in the event that our campus was to be impacted by any school closures in Maricopa County or other related outcomes due to this virus. This includes if it were to be a short-term closure or a long-term closure. Please continue to work on your own contingency plan of who would care for your children during this time.

The leadership team at SCA was on a conference call Thursday afternoon with the Arizona Department of Health Services, the Superintendent of Public Instruction, and the Governor's Office. As of today, they are specifically *not* recommending widespread school closures or the cancelation of after-school activities. They are also *not* recommending cancelations of gatherings. If there were to be a school exposure at our school site, local public health officials would immediately partner with us to assist and provide recommendations, investigations of where it was contracted, and would assist us in communication.

Other recommendations, including cleaning procedures and practices to keep our campus safe, we have been conducting regularly. These details were in some of our previous communications, and we continue to conduct extra cleaning procedures, providing education and cleaning protocols, and sending students home with symptoms of any illness.

Overnight School Trips:

Local or national overnight trips through the month of April are being canceled. We believe this is the best decision for our students. We are evaluating trips taking place after April on a case-by-case basis as additional information becomes available. We are continuing to monitor information shared by the World Health Organization, the National Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the U.S. State Department, the Maricopa County Public Health Department, and the

on these trips, we are in communication with the applicable vendors on what the refund policies and financial impacts might be, and we will be in touch with you once we have more information.

Extracurricular Activities (athletics, performances, field trips, etc.)

As mentioned, Arizona Department of Health Services, the Superintendent of Public Instruction, and the Governor's Office, are not recommending canceling any extracurricular activities. If we become aware of a risk of exposure, we will take steps to limit or cancel extracurricular activities. This may include total cancellation of events, or in some cases spectators at events. We will let you know as soon as possible of any cancellations. Regarding athletics, we will also follow AIA guidance, if any, for interscholastic sporting competitions.

We continue to recommend and work to enforce that anyone with symptoms of any illness stay home and not participate in school activities until they are symptom free for 24 hours without the aid of medication.

At SCA we take this situation and the health of our students seriously. Our messaging is not coming from a place of fear but from reasonable caution. We also have complete confidence in our great God. Fear is not from God. We believe the words of II Timothy 1:7 (ESV): *God has given us a spirit not of fear but of power, love, and self-control.* We choose to put our faith and trust in the One who holds our lives in his hands.

As always, thank you for your commitment to our school, and thank you for working with us. We will update you as quickly as possible during this situation.



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