

March 14, 2020

Dear CA Family,

Friday evening, Governor Bill Lee released a statement asking everyone to avoid gatherings of 250 people or more. In addition, he asked that all state employees work from home through March 31. While this recommendation is more aggressive than the CDC guidelines for school closures, we feel it is imperative to do everything possible to keep our Cougar family safe.

As you know, faculty have been diligently taking steps and planning more ways to offer their class curriculum outside of the classroom. They will continue their preparations Monday during our Professional Development Day.

This morning, after discussions among our Administrative team, and in compliance with the wishes of Tennessee's governor, we have decided to shift to working, teaching, and learning remotely, instituting *Clarksville Academy at Home*, beginning Tuesday, March 17. No students, parents, or teachers will be permitted to be on campus between March 17-31. Families with medication in the nurse's office will be allowed to pick up prescriptions on campus Monday, March 16, between the hours of 7:00 A.M.-12:00 P.M.

The Administrative Team continues to examine all events for the remainder of the school year. All changes will be in keeping with guidance from our governor and public health officials to practice social distancing and avoid large gatherings as a way to limit community spread of COVID-19. We understand for our campus community, including visitors who enjoy these events, the changes may be disappointing and inconvenient. Please know that our priority is the health and safety of our families as well as the greater community.

At this time, in keeping with school closure policies, we will suspend all scheduled spring athletics (practices, workouts, and games) through March 31.

All cancellations or changes will be posted on the COVID-19 link on the CA website and emailed to you. Please note, Steak Dinner has now been added to this list of postponements. We will communicate more information as it is available. As of now, the following events have been cancelled or postponed:

- Talent Show-All Schools-March 17-Postponed
- Grandparent's Day—LS March 19 & 20-Postponed
- District Key Club Convention—US March 20-22- Postponed
- Varsity Baseball Spring Break Trip--Cancelled
- APSU Math Contest—April 9—Cancelled
- Steak Dinner—April 4—Postponed to April 25

- 4th Grade PE Unit at APSU—Cancelled
- APSU Dual Enrollment A&P Lab—Anticipated remote learning
- Prospective Family Tours & Shadow Days—Postponed (after Spring Break)

Thank you for your support and patience as we navigate through this unexpected time. Over the course of the next week, we will continue to communicate with you regarding changes, updates, and ***Clarksville Academy at Home*** learning.

We are asking each of our families to self-report their Spring Break plans. This will help us ensure that we are keeping our Cougar family safe and healthy. Please take a moment to fill out this form before **March 18**. <https://clarksvilleacademy.com/self-reported-travel-request-form/>

Sincerely,

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Head of School