



CALVARY CHAPEL SCHOOLS

FROM THE DESK OF THE CHANCELLOR

Corona Virus Update from the Chancellor

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Dear Calvary Chapel Schools Community,

We are closely monitoring the Coronavirus situation, and we will continue to update you as necessary. While there is no need to panic, there is reason for concern.

What **WE** are doing:

- Anyone recently in China must have been in the country symptom free
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for at least 2 weeks before they visit our campus.

- Providing updates from the CDC as soon as there are significant developments.
- Monitoring the health of all of our students, and sending students home when they present cold or flu symptoms.

What **YOU** can do:

- PLEASE keep your children at home if they are experiencing any cold or flu symptoms until those symptoms are completely gone:
 - Fever
 - Body aches
 - Weakness
 - Sneezing/runny nose
 - Coughing/respiratory infection
 - Nausea
- See your doctor if you have any health concerns with your children.
- Stay in touch with your teachers, principals and school nurse about the health of your children.
- Encourage frequent hand washing for everyone in your family.
- Remember that it is mandatory to pick up your child from school when the nurse or administrator makes such a request.

The CDC stated the following on 02/24:

COVID-19 [Coronavirus] is a serious public health threat. Cases of COVID-19 have been diagnosed in the United States, primarily in travelers from China and quarantined repatriates, and also in two close contacts of COVID-19 patients. Currently, COVID-19 is not recognized to be spreading in U.S. communities. If sustained transmission in U.S. communities is identified, the U.S. response strategy will enhance implementation of actions to slow spread in communities (2,6). Implementation of basic precautions of infection control and prevention,

including staying home when ill and practicing respiratory and hand hygiene will become increasingly important.

Community-level nonpharmaceutical intervention might include school dismissals and social distancing in other settings (e.g., postponement or cancellation of mass gatherings and telework and remote-meeting options in workplaces). These measures can be disruptive and might have societal and economic impact on individual persons and communities (6). However, studies have shown that early layered implementation of these interventions can reduce the community spread and impact of infectious pathogens such as pandemic influenza, even when specific pharmaceutical treatments and vaccines are not available (7,8). These measures might be critical to avert widespread COVID-19 transmission in U.S. communities (2,6). Mitigation measures implemented in China have included the closing of major transport hubs and preventing exit from certain cities with widespread transmission, cancellation of Chinese New Year celebrations, and prohibition of attendance at school and work (5). However, the impact of these measures in China has not yet been evaluated.

You can read more at

<https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/69/wr/mm6908e1.htm>

Again, there is no reason to panic, but we all need to remain vigilant about this health concern.

Please pray for China and for anyone infected with this disease and their loved ones.

God bless,

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Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own

understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight. Proverbs 3:5-6
