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Dear WCHS Families,

We understand that the spread of the COVID-19 illness and the well-being of your student is on your mind. Here is where things stand today, Saturday, March 14.

The Board and Administration have been working diligently to make tough decisions that will provide the best possible outcomes for our students, staff, and families. With that said, we believe the best decision for our community is for the school to remain open on Monday, March 16, 2020.

The school underwent deep cleaning on Thursday, March 12 and Friday, March 13. The building was cleaned from top to bottom as a preventative measure to make the school a safe place for the children to learn and the staff to teach. Policies are in place so that staff who are not well will stay home.

We will start Trimester 3 as scheduled. We will be operating on a Wednesday schedule and students will be dismissed at 2:05p.m.

We have safety measures in place. We will only be allowing entry to students, parents and guardians of students, and staff members of WCHS into the facility. All parents and guardians who visit the school will be screened regarding their recent travel history and other COVID-19 related factors. All athletic activities (games and practices), and field trips are suspended. After school clubs will continue as scheduled. We remind you again, that if your child feels sick, they should stay home.

If your student will not be attending school, please contact our attendance office so that we can send work home.

We believe that during this difficult time the continuity of your child's education is essential for their academic progress and social emotional wellbeing. We are working diligently to develop online blended learning platforms that will keep our students engaged and moving forward if we do need to close. With that said, please <u>complete our</u> <u>student technology access survey</u> so that we can prepare our distance learning program appropriately.

Though there continue to be no cases of COVID-19 in the WCHS community, we believe these actions, though significant, are prudent, timely, and arrived at thoughtfully.

Please continue to visit our COVID-19 Portal, <u>www.thewcs.org/covid-19</u>, for further updates and information, and do not hesitate to contact us at <u>covidconcerns@thewcs.org</u> with any questions or concerns.

In solidarity, Lester Samson Head of School