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Dear VSCA Families,

On Wednesday, March 11th, the school was informed that a subcontractor, who had been working on the premises, was being tested for the Corona Virus. We were advised and it was determined that in an abundance of caution, the school should be closed with the intent of a thorough cleaning and sanitizing of the entire school campus. We were told that the results could take as long as 72 hours, and as a result, felt that the best plan of action was to close the school until Wednesday, March 18th. This extended time was due to the shortened student schedule for the coming week. I apologize to all those who were concerned about the proximity their child may have had with the individual, but at the time of the initial letter, we needed to make sure of all the facts.

We are relieved to have learned that the results from the testing of this individual were returned and they are NEGATIVE. Because the sanitizing of the campus has already begun and will not conclude until Friday (possibly Saturday), VSCA will remain closed on Friday, March 13th. We will, however resume our regularly scheduled ½ day this coming Monday, March 16th. Please note-- in following the lead of other schools, our Parent/Teacher Conferences will be done remotely through calls. You will receive more information on this in an upcoming email. We thank all of you for your understanding in this matter. It is new territory for all us and we are doing our best to follow CDC guidelines as well as the counsel and information from numerous sources.

Going forward, THE MOST IMPORTANT course of action is prevention. This includes being vigilant in washing our hands, keeping our hands away from our faces, coughing or sneezing in to our elbows, but more importantly staying home if there is ANY sign of ANY type of illness. PLEASE do not send your child to school if they have ANY symptoms. We know that this can present itself as a hardship for many, but we all must be looking out for the best interests of each other. Please note: ANY student who comes in to the building with ANY symptoms, including cough, aches, fever, etc. WILL be quarantined until they can be picked up. The church has provided us with a room in a separate building in which to handle such cases. PLEASE do not put us or your child in this position.

There is NO reason why we cannot have a safe school if we are all diligent to do our part. Let us pray for continued protection for all of us and our loved ones. Looking forward to seeing everyone on Monday.

God Bless,

Leslie Fowley

Superintendent