



Presidio Hill
School
Since 1918

Dear PHS Families:

As you know, out of an abundance of caution, PHS closed last Thursday (March 5) and Friday (March 6) to undergo an environmental cleaning. We thank you for your understanding, patience and support during this process. We are eager to resume scheduled classes tomorrow (March 9).

In order to keep your students healthy, and in consideration of [recent recommendations](#) from the San Francisco Department of Public Health (SFDPH), we have implemented additional precautionary procedures:

- Assemblies & Gatherings: We will be cancelling or rescheduling all student gatherings that are larger than the size of a grade band. In-school clubs will not be affected.
- Sports: We will be cancelling or rescheduling all sport games with other schools. Practices will go ahead as planned and we will prioritize outdoor practice.
- Recesses: will continue as usual, with additional handwashing requirements implemented.
- Enrichment: We are in contact with our enrichment class teachers to determine whether classes with a physical contact component (e.g. Hapkido) will be cancelled or amended. Please expect an email only if your students enrichment class is affected.
- Food on campus: We are not allowing outside shared food brought to campus (class celebrations, Wednesday Soup for Teachers, Friday snacks, etc). SchoolFoodies (individually packaged) will continue as usual.
- Field Trips: Students MUST stay home if ill. We will be cancelling or rescheduling most field trips to public spaces (museums, Institute on Aging, etc). If a field trip is to a location with limited outside contact or has a program that is more than half outside, we may choose to continue with the trip. Harley Farms (8th grade) will go on as planned tomorrow -- for all WELL 8th graders.
- Conferences: Conferences will continue as planned. PHS Camp/childcare during conferences will be open and will make as much use as possible of our outside spaces on campus. You will have the option of another format for conferences besides face to face if you would prefer.
- Accreditation: we are discussing how to manage our accreditation process and will provide an update when we reach a decision.

These precautions will be in place until the end of March and then on an as needed basis. In addition, we will be creating a PHS webpage for more frequent updates early this week. Please plan to check the webpage for updates about our procedures and resources from both PHS and the CDC/ SFDPH.

PHS remains focused on protecting the health and safety of our families and employees. As always, PHS advises families and employees to exercise the precautions recommended by the CDC, including to remain home at any time if they are sick for any reason. For more information on the prevention and treatment of COVID-19 specifically, please visit

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/about/prevention-treatment.html>.

For strategies to support your children in light of COVID-19, please see the attached document.

The School will continue to monitor COVID-19 and follow guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and San Francisco Department of Public Health. We appreciate your partnership in keeping our community healthy. If you have any questions, you are welcome to reach out to me anytime. We look forward to welcoming back your children tomorrow.

Sincerely,

Lisa Jeli

Sarah's thoughts

Email to Parents:

1. School is reopening
2. Gatherings size
 - a. Recesses
 - b. Field trips and events
 - c. Futsal and sports gathering
 - d. Enrichment classes--emphasize social distancing if possible

Email to staff:

1. Early start
2. Survey about how they feel with Google Classroom
3. Additional time for staff to prep for distance learning
4. Events and Field trips
5. Needs day-to-day
 - a. Students need to bring all work they may need for the week home with them everyday
 - b. Students need to bring all tech they may need home with them everyday
 - c. Can teachers send home materials for upcoming units home with kids now?
 - d. Do we PLAN the school closure? Or is it in response to an event? Responsibility to our SF community