



### **Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update -- March 26, 2020**

Dear GPA Families,

I miss all of our Eagles, and am thinking of you, your children, and our school community. I hope you are staying healthy and well during these challenging times. Over the past week, I asked my staff to reach out first and foremost to check in and see how your children are doing, and we will continue to reach out through the coming weeks until we are in touch with everyone. Please understand our number one priority right now is you and your family's well being. If we do not take time to care for one another first, we cannot begin to move forward in a way that meets the needs of everyone.

I hope you have been able to access our website and/or Instagram for important updates, resources, and positive messages; please continue to do so. With that being said, I have several updates to share with you at this time.

- **GPA Continued Closure:** We will remain closed **beyond April 7th** as we continue to closely monitor directives from local, state, and federal agencies to ensure the safest possible conditions. All school activities including school day instruction, athletics/sports, health services, enrichment, and afterschool programming etc. will continue to be canceled until further notice.
- **Food Services:** Families in need of support can continue to receive meals from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m at all locations. Serving locations include: Clark Middle, Cherokee Point Elementary, Sherman Elementary, Zamorano Fine Arts Academy, Kearny High School, O'Farrell Charter, Farb Middle, Walker Elementary, Porter Elementary North, Chollas-Mead Elementary, Perkins K-8, Ibarra Elementary, and Horton Elementary
- **Enrichment Packets:** We provided distance learning enrichment packets to all our students on March 13th. The packets are the soft launch that GPA did before school was closed and are also available on our website. All GPA teachers put together good old fashion packets that kids carried home with them on their last day. Students and parents can continue to work on packets well after our Spring Break ends April 6th, as there is enough learning in those packets until April 26th. The packets will not be graded, however they do offer an opportunity for great learning by all students. If students have questions about the learning material, they can email or call teachers directly. GPA students are ahead of the curve when it comes to distance learning with their packets. GPA students should continue to learn from the packets if they are able.
- **Additional Resources:** We have included outstanding additional resources for both enrichment learning and counseling information in order to provide you with access to meet your current needs. All resources are available on our GPA website ([www.gompersprep.org/cv](http://www.gompersprep.org/cv)).

- **Internet Services/Access:** Families have free internet options by requesting a 60-day free internet trial through Spectrum Cable or a 30-day free trial through Cox Cable. Free hotspot service is also currently available through cox: [www.cox.com/hotspots](http://www.cox.com/hotspots).
- **Next Steps:** As we continue to work on plans moving forward that match the mission and vision of GPA, we will guide you and your children each step of the way and provide all necessary learning tools. Before transitioning into any new learning plan, we will first ensure that all students have access and support in order to learn. Although it remains unclear the ways in which the virus will impact our lives in the next several weeks or what additional stress it will bring, we will continue to operate with students first in all of our decision making. We will continue to be intentional and deliberate regarding our next steps for student learning, and will inform you well in advance.
  - *Advanced Placement:* The College Board has decided to create shortened exams that will be offered online from home. You can learn more about this offer on “AP Central” at (<https://apcentral.collegeboard.org/about-ap/news-changes/coronavirus-update>). GPA is monitoring this changing situation and will provide further updates as they come. If you have specific questions regarding AP, please contact Assistant Director Bartholomew or your child’s AP teacher.

Thank you for your ongoing support, trust and patience. We understand that the need for community is greater now than it has ever been, and we thank you for being part of the GPA family. Again, it is essential that you know how deeply I care first and foremost about your health and safety. Please reach out to me or any member of my leadership team at any time.

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