

Dear Parents and Staff,

Based on the rapidly evolving situation with COVID-19 and state mandated school closures, school is canceled for students March 16 through March 27, with the intent to return March 30th. While we have no confirmed COVID-19 cases at Prairie Crossing Charter School, our buildings are closed to students beginning Monday, March 16, and all activities and events are canceled until further notice.

Picking Up Essential Supplies from School

On March 13th, Prairie Crossing underwent a significant disinfecting process. In an effort to maintain the integrity of that cleaning for as long as possible, we will be limiting access to the buildings until such a time that we return to school for classes. We do, however, understand the potential that parents may need to gather essential student property from their child's classroom(s). To that purpose we have developed a schedule for parents to come to the school and pick up items they will need during the school closure.

If you choose to pick up essential classroom items, please email tzamiar@pccharterschool.org by 10 am Monday, March 16th, with a list of items and where they are most likely located, ie. (Reading Glasses located in the locker area of Mrs. Jeffery's classroom.) We will attempt to gather those items and have them available on Tuesday am.

In the case of essential medications, we will be open 8am, Monday morning, to deliver those important items. Please come to the main entrance and ring the buzzer and we will assist you. Again, we thank you for your patience with this process.

Essential Items Pick-Up Schedule

☐ Monday & Tuesday for Medication Only:

All Grades - No Appointment necessary from 8 am to 9 am Monday & Tuesday.

☐ Classroom Essential items:

For Grades K, 1/2 and 5/8	Tuesday	8 am
For Grades 3/4 & 7/8	Tuesday	9 am

Communication with Families

We will continue to provide you with regular updates as this situation develops. For the latest information, please visit our website and monitor your email and phone for messages from the school.

Additionally, it is important that for our students we model measured behavior and rely on each other for support. Our students take their cues from the important adults in their lives and we can weather this challenging time together by refraining from alarmist or stress-inducing language in their presence. We have shared some information related to speaking with your children about COVID-19, and I am also including these resources here:

[How to Talk to Your Kids about Coronavirus](#)

[How to Talk to Your Anxious Child about the Coronavirus](#)

Thank you for your support, your patience, and your understanding as we navigate this situation together.

Sincerely,

Tony Zamiar
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