



PERFORMANCE SCHOOL

March 13, 2020

SCHOOL CLOSURE INFORMATION

All public schools in El Paso County will be closed from March 16 to March 27. JMCA will join WSD3 in closing all school facilities and activities for a period of 14 days. This is a precautionary measure to prevent the spread of infection. We will reassess the situation as we get closer to March 27, and decide if students and staff should return on Monday, March 30. Despite the issues this closure will cause, we believe that strong, urgent action must be taken to prevent the spread of this disease. We are working closely with the District as the situation changes almost hourly. During the closure, JMCA will undergo additional deep cleanings with recommended disinfectants. We are following the same cleaning procedures as the District as well.

Today students received instructional materials and directions for next week, March 16-20. We want to continue to provide educational activities for students during the closure. Each of our teachers has a WSD3 gmail account and these accounts will be used for any updates or additional information regarding assignments. A list of teacher gmail addresses is included separately.

For those of you wondering about our month of CMAS testing after spring break, at the current time, we are scheduled to begin testing on April 2. Testing schedules for each class will be sent home by March 31. In the event the schedule changes or testing is postponed, that information will be sent out as well.

What should I do?

1. If you or your children are ill, you should distance yourself from others so you do not spread your germs. It is important that you keep your child home if they are ill. Particularly if they have a fever and/or respiratory symptoms.
2. Avoid close contact with people who are sick, a distance of six feet is one recommendation.
3. DO NOT shake hands with others, use a fist pump.
4. Use ONLY your knuckle to touch light switches, elevator buttons, etc.
5. Open doors with your closed fist or hip rather than grasping it with your hand.
6. Keep hand sanitizer handy for use when soap and water are not available.
7. Use nitrile disposable gloves when shopping, using a gas pump, etc.

Please continue to check your email, JMCA website, mobile app, social media, and text for updates. We will continue to remain in contact with local officials and the District and will keep you updated with new information as it becomes available.

We thank you for your support and partnership in this effort.