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Dear YES Prep Families,

As concerns over the COVID-19 coronavirus mount across the Houston area, we have been closely monitoring the rapidly changing situation.

**Out of an abundance of caution, all YES Prep Public Schools will be closed tomorrow, Friday, March 13, and the week following Spring Break, March 23-27.** All extra-curricular activities, including sports, tutorials and ACE, are also canceled during this period.

Learning will continue while campuses are closed after Spring Break, though. All students have an online learning account through Microsoft, where students can access learning resources from a computer or smart phone. Students are expected to check their email every day for updates.

At this time, we expect students back in class on Monday, March 30, and we will let you know as soon as possible if developments deem it necessary to keep schools closed beyond that date.

Please know, this decision to close for an extended time was made only after thoughtful consideration and deep discussions with many who are invested in both the education and well-being of our children. We have considered many factors and ultimately want to help limit the spread of the COVID-19 virus and help keep YES families safe.

**There are zero known cases of COVID-19 within the YES Prep community,** but we plan to deep clean and disinfect all campuses while students are off.

For credible information with the latest updates, frequently asked questions, and more about coronavirus, please visit the City of Houston's Health Department webpage at [houstonemergency.org/covid19](https://houstonemergency.org/covid19). We also have set up [yesprep.org/covid19](https://yesprep.org/covid19) where families can also find our latest updates and helpful resources.

Expect to hear from us with new details as this situation unfolds over the coming days. We wish you family a healthy and happy Spring Break and we thank you in advance for your cooperation as we continue to navigate this situation with the health and well-being of our students and staff as our highest priority.