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## **Online Learning Update**

## Assalamu alaikum,

We pray that you are all in good health and ask Allah SWT to spare our community the worst of this pandemic. It's now been two weeks since we took classes online and before anything else we'd like to thank our teachers for taking the initiative and making this transition possible as well as extend our thanks to our students and their families for their patience and cooperation during this unexpected transition.

We will be pausing classes for Spring break and look forward to seeing you all again online or in person starting Monday, April 6, insha'Allah. CPSA teachers and administration will be taking advantage of this time to spend time with their families as well as make improvements to the online curriculums and explore the additional options available for online teaching.

CPSA has remained in close contact with local school districts, the Illinois State Board of Education, college counselors, and standardized testing agencies and has been basing its approach for online learning on a mix of their recommendations and our own internal guidelines and initiatives. While schools around the nation have shut down, individual schools have continued to do their best to provide their students with education and support during this difficult time. CPSA is committed to being among those schools helping their students take advantage of this stay-at-home period to insha'Allah come out of this still on-track to be the future leaders of tomorrow.

Additionally, we would like to share the following:

- The April 12<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> in-person registration days for the 2020-21 schoolyear have been cancelled; we will be sending out information on possible online registration or new registration dates soon, insha'Allah.
- The College Board has announced that all AP exams will be held online as 45-minute long tests without any multiple-choice questions (free-response only). There will be two dates available for each exam and the full testing schedule will be released on April 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- The May SAT exams have been cancelled and students that registered will receive a refund. The June SAT exams remain on-track for now, if students wish to reschedule.
- Some colleges have extended their acceptance deadlines, others have not. Seniors are encouraged to stick to the original dates where possible.
- Some colleges have announced that they'll be trialing admissions without any SAT/ACT requirements for next year. Students are encouraged to explore novel ways of making their applications stand out. (This is a great time for community service!)

Jazakum Allah khair,

CPSA is conducting an online survey to make sure that we are addressing your needs and to hear your concerns, share your feedback here: <a href="https://i.mp/3arKbLI">https://i.mp/3arKbLI</a>