



Providence Hall Charter School

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Thank you for your continued patience as Providence Hall Charter School (PHCS) continues to work with the Governor's COVID-19 Task Force, Utah State Board of Education (USBOE), Utah Department of Health (UDOH), and Salt Lake County Health Department (SLCHD) regarding COVID-19 (coronavirus).

We are doing our best to put out information and guidance as we receive it and have been proactive in developing alternative options for students if our educational services and delivery needs to move to alternative options (e.g., online).

At this time the Governor's Task Force has instructed Utah school districts not to close schools unless specifically directed to do so by a local health officer.

As such, Providence Hall Charter School (PHCS) will remain open until further notice.

We recognize and respect parents'/guardians' rights to make decisions that are in the best interest of their children and families. To keep families informed as they make these decisions, we offer the following updates and information.

The information that is italicized are the *steps PHCS will be taking* in response to **state guidance** (in bold):

- **Cancelation of all out-of-state travel**
 - *PHCS will be canceling any and all out-of-state travel.*
- **Postpone or cancel mass gatherings (over 100 people), which may include school assemblies, dances, performances, activities, professional development and athletic games and functions.**
 - *All smaller PHCS-based activities, such as tutoring, driver's education, etc. will continue as scheduled and planned.*
 - *PHCS athletic teams and PHCS performance groups (based on guidance from their coaches and/or directors) may continue to practice if the total number does not exceed 100.*
 - *All extracurricular activities and sports have been postponed or canceled.*
 - *All assemblies and concerts have been postponed or canceled.*
- **Consider staggering recesses and lunches to reduce the number of children in one place at one time.**
 - *Individual PHCS campuses will individually modify lunch and recesses as needed to reduce social interaction.*
- **Amplify health and hygiene prevention measures including staying home if you are ill, washing your hands thoroughly and often, and covering your nose or mouth when you sneeze or cough.**

- *PHCS campuses will increase efforts to sanitize the building, door handles, computers, and other highly used areas.*
- *PHCS campuses have placed informational posters on personal sanitation and hygiene for students, faculty, and staff. This information will continue to be reviewed with everyone.*
- We understand that some families have other health and family considerations. PHCS will work with families on matters of school attendance. Parents/guardians may decide for personal reasons related to COVID-19 to keep students home from school. However, students may be expected to make up missed work when they return.
- Teachers may not be in a position to immediately communicate on missed classwork or assignments.
- Students and families that have been directed by the UDOH to be under quarantine should notify their PHCS school immediately.
- In the event of PHCS closure, we are working on plans for students to access learning opportunities.
- Students or families who have had contact with someone displaying COVID-19 symptoms or have concerns of any kind should contact their healthcare provider, PHCS Principal, and the COVID-19 Hotline at 1-800-456-7707.
- If you are a PHCS employee in a high risk category for COVID-19 as defined by CDC, over 60 years old, and/or immunocompromised, please contact your PHCS Administrator to discuss providing accommodations.
- To reduce the number of students in the lunchroom and commons areas during lunch and passing periods, PHCS Administrators will be providing information for students and teachers at each campus.

**KEEP IN MIND THESE GUIDELINES MAY CHANGE
AS WE RESPOND TO RAPIDLY CHANGING DYNAMICS REGARDING COVID-19.**

PHCS will continue to work with the USBOE, the UDOE, and local agencies, and we will provide updated information as we receive it.

Thanks again for your continued patience and support.