

Sunday, March 15

### **MN statewide closure**

Today Governor Tim Walz has announced a state-wide closure of schools in Minnesota. This means that Cretin-Derham Hall will move to Online School on Thursday, March 19, 2020.

On Monday, March 16 and Tuesday, March 17, CDH was already scheduled for professional development, which included planning and preparation for Online School. We are adding a date for faculty and staff to prep for Online School on Wednesday, March 18. Students have these days (Monday, March 16 – Wednesday, March 18) off and are not expected to participate in Online School on these days. Students who need to pick up materials can come on campus Monday or Tuesday between 8 am – noon. They will not be allowed to congregate – only to access their materials.

All activities will be suspended until further notice.

Note, all students and families should be checking their email for updates on how to participate in Online School which will begin on Thursday, March 19.

These are challenging times, and this is a significant response by our state to minimize the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19). This raises many questions that we cannot answer immediately, but we are committed to keeping you as informed and supported as possible. There is much more information to come.

As you prepare for the changes this will entail, please know that CDH is committed to providing a strong educational experience in the face of these drastic, but necessary measures. Together, we can ensure these next days and weeks will be productive as possible while we all curtail our activity in such a way that protects the health and well-being of each other, our families, and our community.

Stay healthy and continue to do all that you can to prevent the spread of germs.

We are keeping all our families in our prayers and ask for His blessing our community as we enter into this new phase.