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Dear Legal Prep Parents and Families,

I am writing to provide you with the latest updates on Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) in Chicago Public Schools (CPS). While COVID-19 presents a number of challenges, both globally and across Chicago, at this point there have only been isolated incidents of COVID-19 in any CPS schools. The Legal Prep community of students and staff have not reported any instances of COVID-19 and have not recently visited any impacted country or region. We are continually monitoring the situation and will work with CPS, city, and state officials to make sure we are implementing the latest best practices.

At all times, we are passionate about our commitment to provide your child with a clean and safe learning environment. We have an outstanding cleaning contractor that has been and will continue to sanitize the school on a nightly basis. This includes disinfecting all handrails, doorknobs, and common surfaces every evening in preparation for the next day.

We are also monitoring the school community for anyone with symptoms of COVID-19 infection - such as fever, cough, and shortness of breath - and ask that you do the same. If your child has symptoms or has come into contact with someone with COVID-19, please keep them at home. If students display these symptoms at school, we will call home for immediate pick up.

To limit our students' exposure to individuals who may have come into contact with the virus, we are postponing all field trips until further notice. This will include the following:

• 9th, 10th, and 12th grade law trips on March 31st will be cancelled. March 31st will be treated as a normal school day with a 3:11 PM dismissal.

• 11th grade SAT tutoring will happen at Legal Prep after school on Thursdays for the next three weeks (3/19, 3/26, & 4/2). The students will have these <u>mandatory tutoring sessions until 4:00</u> <u>PM</u>. This is a change from the typical 6:30 PM dismissal time on the normal program days.

If you need help locating medical care, please reach out to the CPS Office of Student Health and Wellness at oshw@cps.edu or by calling the Healthy CPS Hotline 773-553-KIDS (5437). If you or your child has a fever, cough, or difficulty breathing and did **not** have direct contact with a COVID-19 positive person, please contact your primary care provider. If you are concerned that you or your child have had direct contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19, please contact the CDPH at coronavirus@chicago.gov or call 312-746-4835.

I want to thank you for your partnership in this effort. Student health and safety is our top priority, and we can only achieve that goal by working together.

Sincerely, Katie-jo Ramirez Principal <u>kramirez@legalprep.org</u> 773-922-7809