



March 13, 2020

Dear Odyssey Charter Schools Community Members:

Last night the Odyssey Charter Schools Governing Board held an emergency meeting to review a Resolution Concerning Measures to Address the Organizational and Educational impacts of the COVID-19 Virus. The Odyssey Charter Schools Governing Board approved an emergency resolution that enables us to quickly make changes to the school year calendar based upon the coronavirus pandemic. After a great deal of discussion about how to best keep students and staff safe, we have developed the following plan of action for our community.

Since the safety of our students is a top priority at Odyssey Charter Schools we **are dismissing all students from attending school beginning on Monday, March 16, 2020 through Friday April 3rd, 2020.** This includes all after school sports, after school enrichment classes and other events. This change may result in adding instructional days to the end of the school year if required by the California Department of Education.

Odyssey Charter School is working diligently to be able to provide guidance about supplementary instructional resources- both digital and non digital- that can be used at home, as well as provide information about services for students with disabilities. At this time, you can access the following [Parent Online Resource Guide](#), which details ways to support student learning. All students will take any books, supplies, and personal belongings home with them after school on Friday, March 13.

For students and families who participate in our School Breakfast & Lunch Program, breakfast and lunch will continue to be provided at the Aveson School Leaders location at 1919 East Pinecrest Drive, Altadena, CA 91001 between 7:15-11:30am.

There are currently no cases of COVID-19 reported within Odyssey Charter Schools. Please know that the determination was not made lightly and we recognize that it will introduce some hardships for many of our families. We will remain in constant communication with local and state health officials, provide regular updates to our families, teachers, and staff, and work to be responsive in our decision-making as possible. This latest decision has been made in an abundance of caution for the health and safety of our school community.

We will continue frequent communications with you. Therefore, please continue to check your email and the OCS website for updates during this time. **We will notify families and staff on Wednesday, March 23 regarding the status of schools and whether to anticipate schools reopening after Spring Break on Monday, April 6, 2020.**

We realize this is a time of uneasiness for many students and families and will be in touch with additional updates. We continue to keep safety as our number one priority and remain committed to the well-being of our students and staff.

Sincerely,

Lauren O'Neill, Executive Director
Odyssey Charter Schools