

Dear FIT Academy Families,

You are receiving this letter because we want to make sure everyone is receiving our emailed communication. Below is the most recent email sent to parents Friday March 27, 2020. If you are not receiving these emails or would prefer receiving letters, please contact Amie Killorin at akillorin@fitacademymn.org or 952-847-3798, xt100.

Para traducción al español: espanol@fitacademymn.org

Email Sent Friday March 27, 2020

As you know, Governor Walz called for a shelter in place order to begin at midnight today, March 27th through Friday April 10. While this will not significantly impact our Distance Learning program, it will impact the option for families to pick-up and drop-off content and assignments on Mondays. To this end, our teachers will put most materials on google classroom for grades 3-10 and may post supplemental materials on our website. Our K-2 families already received at least 2 weeks worth of work available for pick-up last week and this week. Due to the shelter in place order, we may have to post additional assignments on the website rather than have parents pick-up. We will not have families pick-up or dropoff work at school during the shelter in place period. As of right now, the plan would be to have you dropoff completed homework and pick-up new assignments on Monday April 13th. You will receive additional information from your classroom teachers on Monday March 30. In the meantime, please email me if you have any questions.

Parents in grades K-5 should expect an email from your classroom teachers on Monday. Students in grades 6-10 will find their schoolwork posted on google classroom by all content area teachers on Monday. For questions regarding the K-5 program, please reach out to your classroom teachers. If you have any questions about grades 6-10, please email Angie Halama at ahalama@fitacademymn.org.

To review our distance learning plan and for additional resources, please visit our COVID19 Plan and Information page on the website. It is the big yellow link in the middle of the main page at www.fitacademymn.org.

Below you will find critical information which has previously been emailed:

<u>Grades K-2</u>: If you are unable to return assignments to school, you may scan and email them to teachers or mail them to: Homework for (insert teacher name), FIT Academy, 7200 147th Street West, Apple Valley, MN 55124.

<u>Grades 3–5:</u> Will follow the K-2 plan but will also use google classroom. Students in grades 4 & 5 will also have access to a school email address to contact teachers. Questions should be directed to your classroom teachers.

<u>Grades 6-10:</u> Students will work almost exclusively through google classroom and will also have access to a school email address to contact teachers. **Note that students will be required to check in each day to report as present.** Questions about this plan should be directed to our Secondary Coordinator, Angie Halama.

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<u>Student Supports:</u> We will continue to provide special education support throughout the distance learning period and will also provide support assignments for students who are english language learners. For further information please contact our special education coordinator, Jessie Thorson at jthorson@fitacademymn.org.

<u>Access to Technology</u>: If you do not have access to the internet or a computer, please contact Katie Hanson at khanson@fitacademymn.org so that she may facilitate getting you access. Please note that this is only for those who do not already have access at home.

<u>Free Meal Information</u>: An email was sent March 26th with additional information on the free meal programs for all local districts. For more information, see our <u>COVID19 Plan and Information</u> webpage for additional resources. If you are facing challenges accessing meals, please contact Tamra Paschall at tpaschall@fitacademymn.org.

<u>Daycare for First-Responder, Health Care, and Essential Personnel</u>: Our daycare for the children of essential workers will resume on March 30 with the hours of 8:00am to 4:30pm. Parents must present an employment ID or letter of employment when enrolling. Please contact Ed Cassidy for additional information at ecassidy@fitacademymn.org.

<u>Centralized Webpage</u>: We are trying to help you by putting as much of our information in one central location. To this end, we have developed a <u>COVID19 Plan and Information</u> webpage with all of our communications and access to teacher content. You can find it on the large yellow box in the middle of our website <u>www.fitacademymn.org</u>

UnitedHealthcare Children's Foundation

UHCF is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization that provides medical grants to help children gain access to health-related services not covered, or not fully covered, by their family's commercial health insurance plan. Families can receive up to \$5,000 annually per child (\$10,000 lifetime maximum per child), and do not need to have insurance through UHCF to be eligible. UHCCF was founded in 1999. Since 2007, UHCCF has awarded 17,000 grants valued at \$42M to children and their families across the United States. UHCCF's funding is provided by contributions from individuals, corporations and UnitedHealth Group employees. For more information, please visit https://www.uhccf.org/

Please be safe, healthy and let us know what we can do to help. We look forward to having students walk through the doors again sometime soon!

Sincerely,

Claud Allaire Executive Director