

March 25, 2020



BSM Parents and Guardians,

Let us begin by sharing how dearly we've missed seeing our students, families, and faculty and staff in person over the last two weeks! We also would like to express our sincere gratitude for your support, patience, and understanding as we navigate these challenging times.

As some of you may be aware, today, Governor Tim Walz issued a temporary Stay at Home executive order for the state of Minnesota until Friday, April 10, as well as an extension of school building closures until Monday, May 4, 2020.

In accordance with the new public health order, we will be extending Extended Online School until May 4. In addition, the postponement or cancellation of all in person BSM activities, athletics, events, and co-curriculars remains in effect during that time frame. Visit our [COVID-19 preparation and response resources webpage](#) for specific information regarding spring events.

Know that we also plan to send a follow up communication later this week with further details related to Extended Online School logistics.

The safety, health, and well-being of our community is our top priority, and we will continue to make decisions based upon the recommendations and guidelines issued by local governmental agencies in the best interest of our families, faculty, and staff.

The importance of connection is more evident now than ever before. To that end, we encourage you to continue to practice "social distancing" and engage with BSM virtually through the following communication platforms.

- [BSM Website](#)
- [BSM COVID Preparation and Response resource page](#)
- [Extended Online School resource page](#)
- Follow us on [Instagram](#), [Facebook](#), [YouTube](#), and [Twitter](#)
 - Throughout the week, daily AM and PM school announcements will be posted to YouTube. We will let students and parents know the announcements are LIVE via Twitter and Instagram stories throughout the day.
- We invite you to participate in our #eKnights Dress Up Day Social Media Giveaway next week. Students, faculty/staff, parents, grandparents, and alumni are also encouraged to participate. [Learn more.](#)

We also recognize the impact the COVID-19 pandemic has had on families, especially the most vulnerable members of our community. It is in times like this that we turn to our faith, *"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust*

in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.” Romans 15:13

In the days ahead, we will remain focused on increased connection, positivity, and the strength of our community. As we like to say, we are #BSMStrong!

God bless,

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