

Dear De La Salle Parents and Guardians,

After thoughtful and thorough reflection, ongoing dialogue with public health officials, and keeping the best interest of our students, families, and faculty and staff in mind, De La Salle and Carondelet high schools have made the decision to implement a two-week school dismissal and initiate our Flexible Learning Plan for our students. The school dismissal will be **effective Monday, March 16 through Friday, March 27**, with the hopes of returning to class on Monday, March 30.

De La Salle and Carondelet will re-evaluate this situation by Wednesday, March 25.

To be clear, neither De La Salle nor Carondelet has any confirmed cases of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19), but to help reduce the spread of COVID-19, we believe this is the best course of action for our community. If you, your student(s), or any members of your family exhibit symptoms of the coronavirus, or have been exposed to individuals that have tested positive for COVID-19, please contact De La Salle and the [Contra Costa Health Services](#) office immediately.

Please be assured that administrators, faculty, and staff on both campuses have been preparing for the possibility of school dismissal over the past few weeks, and we are confident that the Flexible Learning Plan set in place will provide appropriate learning experiences for all students. Please read the [Student Guidelines for Instructional Continuity](#) with your son as soon as you can.

Effective immediately, all co-curricular activities at De La Salle, including athletics and Company, have been suspended until further notice. This includes practices, on-campus workouts (both individual and as a group), meetings, and competitions. Additionally, all De La Salle and Carondelet athletic facilities will be closed until further notice.

The current situation is and will remain fluid. If there are any changes made to the plan outlined in this communication, you will be notified immediately.

Upcoming Timeline

- Monday, March 16th, 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. - Students can pick up any items left on campus. Teacher work day.

- Tuesday, March 17th – Online block learning begins at 8:30 a.m.
- Friday, March 20th - Scheduled professional day, and students will have the day off as originally scheduled.
- Wednesday, March 25th, De La Salle and Carondelet to re-evaluate class dismissal situation.

Flexible Learning Plan

- **[Student Guidelines for Instructional Continuity](#)**
- Resources about the COVID-19, information on school events, and past communication to parents can be found at **www.DLSHS.org/coronavirus**
- Access the Schoology portal here: **<https://schoology.wintondrivedistrict.org/>**
- If you need parent access contact Michael Aquino at aquinom@dlsHS.org

Sick/Attendance

If your child is sick and is not able to engage with the online learning, you will still be required to alert the attendance office. Teachers will be taking roll for each of their sessions.

De La Salle Counselors

De La Salle counselors and student support services will continue to be available each day for phone appointments. If you or your child should need to speak with them, please visit the **[Student Support Services page](#)** on the De La Salle website for their contact information.

Additional communications regarding **[Student Guidelines for Instructional Continuity](#)** will be sent out through **[Schoology](#)**. Students should check Schoology daily for updates.

Information about the De La Salle Auction on Saturday, April 4, will be communicated on Tuesday, March 17.

At this time, we do not plan on extending the school year since students will be learning while campus is closed. We will continue to work in conjunction with Carondelet and the Contra Costa Health Services.

This is a difficult time for all of us, and we appreciate your support and trust in our schools during these unprecedented times. Everything we do is with the safety of our students in mind.

With thoughts and prayers,

The De La Salle President's Cabinet