

April 9, 2020

RE: IMPORTANT UPDATE AND INFORMATION REGARDING FREDERICK K.C. PRICE III CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS

Dear Frederick K.C. Price III Christian Schools Families,

I hope that you are enjoying your Spring Break and that all is well with your families. I would like to reiterate my gratitude for your continued partnership with Frederick K.C. Price III Christian Schools ("FKCP") as we navigate through the COVID-19 pandemic. Governor Newsom's Stay at Home order and Mayor Garcetti's "Safer at Home" order remain in effect and the Los Angeles County Office of Education has not yet recommended that students return to their physical schools. This situation may continue to the end of the school year.

FKCP REMAINS COMMITTED TO OUR STUDENTS

Frederick K.C Price III Christian Schools is devoted to providing the best educational services to our students, in ways that surpass other schools. Some schools are providing homework packets and expecting students to teach themselves or providing limited virtual instruction time. FKCP is providing hours of <u>daily</u> virtual classroom instruction with <u>actual teachers</u>. The benefit of each student working with their regular teacher is that students can <u>ask questions in real-time, interact with classmates</u>, and receive <u>one-on-one personal instruction</u>.

Furthermore, I share your concern that your child not only attend school but <u>understand</u> and <u>retain</u> the valuable information that they learn. To accomplish this task, our FKCP teachers consistently provide supplemental learning opportunities to our students, <u>outside of normal</u> <u>classroom hours if needed</u>. Our teachers are helping FKCP students that need <u>extra attention</u> between classes, after classes, and on Fridays. Thus, there are numerous opportunities available for students to obtain extra help. In addition, we are also able to <u>supplement the virtual classroom</u> with online materials, tools, and programs, designed to assist in learning.

FKCP IS ENSURING THAT OUR STUDENTS WILL BE POSITIONED TO EXCEL IN HIGHER EDUCATION

Many other schools are <u>changing their grading scale</u> from issuing letter grades to merely giving students pass or fail ratings or issuing credit or no credit for class participation. As an experienced educator, that has guided hundreds of students in being admitted to prestigious universities throughout the country, I do not embrace this idea. Although we have a <u>100%</u> <u>college acceptance rate</u>, our students are not being prepared to simply go to college, but to <u>excel</u> <u>in college</u>. For students to excel, they must understand their coursework and be given substantial



feedback on their performance. Therefore, each student will continue to have their class work evaluated on the <u>A to F grading scale</u>. While this requires more effort from our teachers, I am confident that this is what FKCP students deserve.

FKCP SCHOOL BOARD IS SUPPORTING OUR FAMILIES DURING THESE TIMES

In addition, to our teachers giving their all to support our students, the FKCP School Board has shown tremendous dedication to ensuring our students succeed. Since I observe our classrooms and remain in contact with our families, I can accurately share with our Board ideas to be of assistance. The Board has been very accommodating to my requests and has provided the following benefits:

- New loaner laptops to 25 families in need so that students could participate in virtual instruction, thank you to the seven families who agreed to sponsor seven students.
- Waiving late fees for April tuition payments; and
- Waiving late fees for families that were unable to pay their 2020 2021 School Registration fees by the March 31, 2020 deadline.

Tuition and March Hot Lunch Credits

We truly hope that you know how important you are to Frederick K.C. Price III Christian Schools. FKCP will work with families having economic difficulties, however, <u>communication</u> is key. If your family has experienced a family member being laid off, terminated, furloughed, or having his or her hours reduced, please contact our Financial Manager Mrs. Rogers. FKCP will work on a case by case basis to make current tuition payments fit within a family's monthly budget. FKCP can extend payment plans through summer months to help lower your monthly rate. Contact Mrs. Rogers to discuss a personalized payment plan agreement for the remainder of 2019-2020 tuition.

If you previously paid for hot lunch for March 2020, you will receive a credit for hot lunch to be applied to your account in the future, or when normal on-campus school operations resume.

Thank you for your patience, prayers, and support during this health emergency. We look forward to your return for the 2020 - 2021 school year. Enjoy the remainder of your Spring Break. Stay safe and may God bless and protect you and your families.

Sincerely,

Madeline Butler, Principal