



COVID-19 Update, March 31, 2020

To Our Bayshore Christian School Family and Community:

As was shared yesterday by the Florida Department of Education's Commissioner Richard Corcoran, and our Governor Ron DeSantis, The School Closure Notice is being extended through Friday, May 1st with a reevaluation on that date. Bayshore Christian School will comply with this announcement.

As we settle into a new routine of remote learning, the faculty, staff and administration of Bayshore Christian School are working harder than ever to offer the best learning opportunities and academic experiences for our students. Teachers are working with one another, administration and parents to identify the most efficient ways to communicate, disseminate information, take attendance and keep students engaged all while keeping the mental health of our students and their families at the forefront of all decisions being made.

We recognize the difficulties of transitioning from brick and mortar buildings with peers to enhance social relationships to social isolation and remote learning. Mrs. Christina Stenholm, our College Counselor, is also a certified mental health care counselor. If you have any questions, please reach out to her at cstenholm@Bayshorechristianschool.org. We also have a wonderful relationship with Christian Counseling of South Tampa at <https://www.ccstcounseling.com/>

The state of Florida is requiring Bayshore to identify an Attendance Policy in our Continuity Plan which was initiated at the start of our remote learning, Monday, March 23rd. There have been slight modifications and updates; however, most of our families are following the protocol set forth by the divisions to identify class attendance. It's important your child (with parental support) follows the Attendance Policy for each division as this will enable us to verify school attendance for advancement/promotion to the next grade level

Preschool: (K2, K3, K4)

Check-in throughout the day using an email/photo response (as requested by teacher).

Lower Division: (Kindergarten-4th Grade, Including 5th Grade)

Check-in (as requested by teacher) by 9:30am and turn in assignments by 7:30 pm to be counted present for the day. *Teachers will accommodate late assignments for the day, after 7:30 pm and before 11:59 pm; however, this is the exception, not the norm, and communication must be had with the teacher prior to the due date and time.

Middle Division: (6th-8th Grade)

Check-in (as requested by teacher) within the first 15 minutes of each class and turn in assignments by 7:30 pm to be counted present for the day.*Teachers will accommodate late assignments for the day, after 7:30 pm and before 11:59 pm; however, this is the exception, not the norm, and communication must be had with the teacher prior to the due date and time.

Upper Division: (Including 8th grade students taking upper division courses)

Check-in using Microsoft Forms/Team(s) within the first 15 minutes of each of the four classes per day and turn in assignments by 7:30 pm to be counted present for the day.

It is still our hope and prayer to close out the school year on campus, even if it means only three weeks in May. We are working on the calendar of events for dates such as the Junior/Senior Prom, Preschool graduation, High School graduation, end of the year awards and more.

We are also moving forward with plans to host Camp Bayshore on campus beginning Wednesday, May 27th. Please join us in praying for the end of COVID-19, the healing of those affected, for our Bayshore families, the Greater Tampa Bay area, our President and our great Nation. We are praying and will continue to pray for each of you.

The school office is open daily from 8:00am-Noon to answer your questions and provide support for remote learning. We thank you for your commitment to Bayshore Christian School.

Sincerely,

Melanie Humenansky

Head of School

Our Mission: Bayshore Christian School is committed to challenging, developing, and empowering students for future leadership with a Biblical worldview within a diverse and nurturing environment, so that each student will follow the example of Jesus to "grow in wisdom and stature and in favor with God and man."

Luke 2:52
