

July 17, 2020

Dear YES Prep Families,

We, like you, are extremely concerned about the increasing number of friends and neighbors contracting COVID-19. <u>Today, Texas Education Commissioner Mike Morath expanded our ability to help keep our students and staff safe.</u>

As part of our commitment to prioritize the health and safety of our students and staff above all else, we are keeping YES Prep campuses closed at least until Friday, September 11.

We will start the 2020-21 school year on Monday, Aug. 17, with all students learning online.

As conditions permit, we plan to reopen campuses for families who choose to send students to school in person on Monday, September 14. The Texas Education Agency today also provided the opportunity to request for their approval, up to four additional weeks of online learning into October if needed at that time.

We remain firmly committed to the rigorous education and success of your children on their path to college and beyond. Starting Aug. 17, YES teachers will provide live and recorded class instruction online with daily schedules, assignments and personalized support for every student. We are working around the clock to secure additional laptops and WiFi hotspots for families in need.

Our full-scale effort to prepare campuses for in-person learning with additional health and safety measures to help keep the virus out of our schools continues.

Please complete the re-enrollment process and latest YES Prep School Program Option Survey to hold your student's spot at YES Prep and to capture your preference for in-person or continued online learning for your student when we reopen our campuses. \*The YES Prep School Program Option Survey deadline has been extended until July 24. More detailed information on our program options including survey submission dates can be found in our Reopening Guide for Families and at yesprep.org/reopening.

We are here to help in any way we can. If you have a question, concern or an urgent need for your family, we want to know. Please inform your campus leadership when they reach out next week if you need any assistance with re-enrollment or reach out to your campus from 9am-12pm Monday-Friday.

\*For students at partnership schools in Aldine and Spring Branch ISD, we continue working with school district officials on plans for re-opening at these campuses.

We will share additional information as soon as we can and will continue to update our website, <a href="yesprep.org/covid19">yesprep.org/covid19</a>, with the latest developments and resources to community services.