



Parkway Christian School

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Dear Students, Parents and Host Families,

As we have continued to evaluate the ever-changing situation presented by the COVID-19 pandemic, Parkway Christian Administration would like to first thank you for your patience and understanding. There are so many perspectives to consider when making decisions and we appreciate the time we were afforded to make the best decisions that we could, given the information at hand.

Up until this point, Parkway was unable to make any guarantees regarding student continuity of learning for students who opted to return to their home country. This was based on the fact that we do not know if/when we will be returning to the building for instruction. While we still do not know if/when we will return to the building, additional information regarding the potential safety concerns of our international students supersedes that unknown.

All international students are encouraged to return to their home country. Parkway will provide continued online education for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year. Should we return to the building, the online education offered to our international students will be different from what they are experiencing right now, but it will be sufficient to complete their required coursework. Seniors will, upon completing the required online coursework, receive a standard diploma just as they would have received had we remained in the building.

Final Exams

Alternate options will be offered to ensure that our international students are able to show mastery for their courses via the online platform.

SAT

At this time, we do not have additional information regarding our planned SAT date. We will keep parents and students informed as we know more.

AP Exams

The College Board is working on ways in which to provide mobile online testing options for AP courses. This indicates that students will be able to take their AP assessments regardless as to whether they are in the U.S. or their home country. More information will be coming as we determine how Parkway will be implementing those options.

I-20

Students who plan to return home may need their I-20 paperwork signed by Mrs. Brady. This is only true if the latest signature on their document is more than 12 months old and they plan to return to the

United States in the fall. If you need a signature, please call or text Mrs. Brady at 586.944.4690 to make arrangements.

Students' F-1 visas will not be in jeopardy as long as they are continuing to complete their coursework online. You may find more information about visa status [here](#).

As stated in our last communication, we want to encourage each of you that we do not need to fear. Phillipians 4:6 states, "do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God." In fact, we may rest in peace. Phillipians 4:7 goes on to say, "And the peace of God which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." Look to the Lord to guard your hearts and minds. We are praying for our families as you transition into online learning, and specifically, our international students and families as you make decisions regarding whether to travel home or remain in Michigan.

Parkway will do all that we can to support you in whatever decision you make for your family.

In Christ,

Parkway Administration