Dear Yu Ming Families,

Today, we learned that the Public Health Officers of Alameda County and six other counties, in collaboration with County Superintendents, made a unified decision to extend school closures through Friday, May 1 in order “to slow the spread of novel coronavirus (COVID-19) to the maximum extent.” Please read more in this press release from Alameda County Office of Education.

Yu Ming School Closure Extended to May 1
Yu Ming’s distance learning program is now confirmed to extend for at least three additional weeks following our Spring Break of April 6-10. We are currently working to prepare a Distance Learning Plan 2.0 that will begin on April 13 to accommodate a longer term approach to educational delivery. To support our leaders and teachers in their planning, please respond to this very brief survey on your student’s experience with our current distance learning program by Friday, March 27.

Packet Pick Up on Friday, March 25, 12:30-5:00pm
According to state and county guidance, school facilities may remain open to staff for the purposes of performing essential tasks. Following social distancing measures, Yu Ming staff will distribute printed class packets this Friday, March 25, from 12:30-5:00 at the Upper School Campus (675 41st St. Oakland) to families who do not have printer access.

Communication with Teachers and the School
During distance learning please know that our staff and faculty continue to work diligently to provide the best educational experience possible under our evolving circumstances. If you need to communicate with your student’s teacher or advisor outside your regularly scheduled check in time, the best mode of communication continues to be email which will be responded to within 48 hours during our hours of operation.

If you need more immediate assistance, please contact us Monday-Friday 8:30-4:00:
- The Main Office on (510) 326-1048, ymclosure@yumingschool.org
- The Technology Support Hotline on 510-220-7982, tech@yumingschool.org

We will continue to keep our community updated both by email and at Yu Ming’s new COVID-19 website. The website also includes access to the Distance Learning Guide, Class Pages (to go live tomorrow), free meal distribution locations, and other community based supports to families that we will continue to update.

“Shelter in Place” Guidance
Public Health Officers expect our communities to continue adhering to the “Shelter in Place” Orders of March 16 and stay home except for essential activities until further notification from their local health department. In addition, all residents are urged to continue to practice public health guidance which includes:
- Social distancing
- Washing hands often with soap and water
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth
- Staying home if you are feeling sick
• Contacting your healthcare provider if you are experiencing any symptoms such as fever, cough, or difficulty breathing.
• Engaging in regular exercise or physical activity

Please feel free to contact us with questions or concerns, and thank you in advance for your support and cooperation as we do our part to keep our school and broader community safe and healthy.

In partnership,

Sue Park
Head of School