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Dear Cedar Tree Academy Parents,

I am writing today to share important news about Cedar Tree Academy’s Distance Learning Program. Due to the public health needs in DC, Cedar Tree Academy will continue distance learning for the remainder of the current school year. I expect the upcoming school year, School Year 2020-2021, to begin in early August 2020 if public health guidelines permit.

Meals for DC students will still be available through the remainder of this pandemic. For more information on meal sites, please visit coronavirus.dc.gov/food.

While we continue to navigate these difficult times, the city and our school are considering summer learning options. We will share information about those option when they have been determined.

This has been an unprecedented time for our city, our school, and our students. But what has made our school community strong is our commitment to our students. That commitment has continued while we teach and learn from home, and it will continue when we are able to come together again within one building.

I want to thank you for the support and love you have shown our teachers and staff. Because of your patience and guidance, our children have continued to learn from home.

I will continue to update you on what the public health needs will mean for your family and our school community. If you have additional questions, please feel free to contact me at 202-610-4193.

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Frequently Asked Questions:

- **What does distance learning look like through the end of the school year?**
  Teachers and staff from CTA will continue to add lessons on CLASS DoJo three days per week. Parents can pick up new Distance Learning Packets from the school starting Tuesday May 5th from 9:00AM -2:00PM. These packets will come cover from May through the last day of school in June.

- **What are the days off through the end of the year? How is the calendar being adjusted?**
  We will send an updated calendar that notes the end of the school year and any days off for teacher planning as soon as it is finalized.

- **Will my child(ren) still be able to access meals?**
  Yes! Meals for DC students will still be available through the remainder of this pandemic. For more information on meal sites, please visit [coronavirus.dc.gov/food](http://coronavirus.dc.gov/food).

- **Will my child(ren) be promoted to the next grade?**
  We expect all students who were on-track to promote to the next grade, to do so. If you have questions about whether your child should be promoted to the next grade, please contact us and we can discuss your child’s specific situation.

- **What are the summer learning opportunities being offered this summer?**
  The city and our school are determining what opportunities will be offered this summer. As soon as those are determined, we will follow up with families about programming and eligibility.

- **When will next school year start?**
  We expect next school year to start in early August 2020, in line with public health guidelines.

- **When can I retrieve my student’s belongings or clear out their Cubbies?**
  Parents can call 202-610-4193 to arrange to pick up items from the school.