



Young Women's College Prep Charter School

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Dear Parents and Families,

Last week, the New York State Education Department and New York State Department of Health released guidelines for school districts as they plan to reopen. These guidance documents outline strict health and safety mandatory requirements that districts must follow in order to reopen schools safely. After reviewing the guidance documents thoroughly, YWCP has determined that due to 6ft social distancing requirements and uncertainty of the availability of safe transportation, that ***we cannot open school for In-Person Instruction for all students***. For now, our plan will be a ***Hybrid Learning Model***. This means that we will have **both** Remote-Learning and some In-Person Instructional Opportunities.

In the first phase, we will ***begin the 2020-2021 school year with all students engaged fully in Remote Learning***. As we continue to navigate through the health and safety requirements, we will begin to add In-Person Instructional Opportunities, beginning with our most vulnerable students. We will continue planning Phase 2 & 3 which will include opportunities for all students to eventually have In-Person Instructional Opportunities.

While we move forward with remote learning, ***we are entirely focused on developing and supporting parents, students, and teachers in this process***. At the time of closure in March of 2020, we experienced an abrupt closure. For the 2020-2021 school year, we feel extremely prepared and ready to deliver remote learning instruction that is engaging, high quality, and designed with independence and differentiation in mind. We feel confident that our remote learning platform will allow for ease and consistency across all content areas and grades for a personalized, student-centered learning experience. ***Please be reassured, we plan to provide strategic and ongoing help and support to all students and families***. Our goal is that everyone feels comfortable and confident as we continue this remote learning journey. Our first priority is to ensure every student is set up and ready for remote learning at the start of the school year.

In order to best serve our students and families, we need your help! We have created a parent survey to help us gather input. We are asking that you please complete this survey by August 7th. You can find the survey on our school website or our social media platforms (see below). It has also been sent out to parent emails and the Remind App.

We appreciate your time and continued support. Please stay engaged with our social media platforms as we will continue to update you regularly throughout all phases of the reopening planning.

- **Facebook:** Young Women's College Prep Charter School of Rochester
- **Instagram:** ywcp_rochester
- **Website:** www.youngwomenscollegeprep.org
- **Remind App:** Attached you will find directions on how to access the Remind App

We can do this together!

Sincerely,

Barbara Zelazny
Principal of YWCP