



Office of the President

April 17, 2020

Dear Mercy students, families, faculty and staff,

Like many of you, the leadership team watched Governor Hogan's press conference today. In the press conference, State Superintendent of Schools Dr. Karen B. Salmon announced that schools will remain closed through Friday, May 15th. We know that our Mercy Girls, families, faculty and staff have many questions about how this news impacts Mercy High School's end-of-year activities. We are continuing with our planning, and we will communicate more details with you as soon as we are able.

In the meantime, we will, of course, resume *Mercy Online 2.0* on Monday, April 20th, and our Mercy Girls will continue their academic progress. As we near the end of Easter Break, we know that our teachers look forward to seeing their students, and our students look forward to seeing their teachers and classmates.

This is an especially challenging time for schools, charged with a mission to educate the young people in their care. We are deeply grateful for the partnership we share with every member of our Mercy community in sustaining our mission. On behalf of the Sisters of Mercy, we take this opportunity to again say a heartfelt thank you to each of you for your active support and prayers. Be assured of our continued prayers for each of you.

Sincerely yours,

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President

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