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Dear Middlesex Parents,

As the landscape of COVID-19 quickly evolves in the United States and internationally, we have emailed all Middlesex students with updated recommendations for travel.

Whether students live in the US or abroad, the best place for them to be is with you at home. The US is in the early stages of the spread and impact of COVID-19, while many other countries are further along that curve. While we at school are trying to make the most prudent decisions for students, faculty and staff, individual families should make the safest, most prudent decision for their children. We urge families to make arrangements to bring your children home as soon as possible, if they are not already there.

For some students, this may involve distance travel. If there are items *essential* to travel (e.g., passports, I-20 forms, and visas if applicable) that are currently at Middlesex, students should call our Dean of Students, Dan Sheff, at 860-417-9215. We will communicate further about non-essential items soon. If international students and families have questions about travel documentation, please contact Leanne Winkler at 978-371-6541, or lwinkler@mxschool.edu.

On-line classes will begin on March 30. As of now, return to campus for students is scheduled for April 5 and 6. **However, we must be clear that there is a strong likelihood that this date will change.** Regardless of whether or not students can indeed all return to campus, we are prepared to continue virtual classes for students who cannot return to campus either due to travel restrictions or quarantine.

Thank you for your continued support. In my email to students, I emphasized that, although this situation will require us all to remain flexible, and will inevitably involve difficulties, we can still be our best selves -- patient with ourselves, kind to others, and ready to embrace whatever comes. We look forward to working with you to make the most of a challenging situation, both for your students and your families alike.

With warm regards,

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