After Spring Break to Year-End

FAQs

**What was the decision-making process used to plan for the remainder of the school year through June 12?**

As we have done throughout the school year, the Senior Administrative Team carefully reviewed public health guidelines and recommendations issued by local, regional and national agencies in consultation with our Medical Advisory Board and the Board of Trustees. With the health and safety of our students, families, faculty and staff as our primary concern, and our commitment to providing the highest quality academic and school program possible for Webb students paramount, school leadership reviewed various options and opportunities before making a final decision. The final decision to retain the academic program online from late April to early June was fully supported by the Educational Leadership Team and Academic Council, and approved by the Medical Advisory Board and Webb’s Board of Trustees.

**Why is Webb not providing in-person academic classes in late April through early June?**

With less than half of Webb students able to attend on-campus day programming, in the absence of our residential boarding program, continuing our online academic program makes sense. This will allow us to provide students with continuity in their academic program, while also enabling us to support the unique needs of all constituents at our global boarding school. We are excited about the additional on-campus educational experience we will be able to provide for our local students, while also mindful of the support all students need in the final months of the year.

We expect to increase our afternoon activities programming and to provide local students with access to science lab and art studio facilities.

**How will Webb’s school program change when we return after Spring Break?**

While our academic program will continue online through the end of the year, we are excited to provide additional on-campus opportunities for students who can participate. We expect to expand the size and frequency of our on-campus study groups so that all students here in a particular grade level can experience Webb together. In addition, we will offer our complete afternoon sports and activities programming as well as science and art lab opportunities, access to our Fawcett Library Resources, and time to unwind in our newly renovated Hooper Community Center. If a student is not currently participating in on-campus activities, they should reach out by Friday, March 19 to Dr. Smith at tsmith@webb.org to indicate they intend to join after break to help with our planning.

**Why is Webb not bringing boarding students back to campus following Spring Break?**

At the current time, Los Angeles County Department of Public Health guidelines do not permit schools or colleges/universities to provide congregate living/dormitory living on their campuses, and they have indicated this will not change until summer.

**How do we plan to honor the Class of 2021 this spring through Commencement?**

We look forward to honoring our end-of-year traditions and celebrating the achievements of the Class of 2021. We believe our year-end celebrations are critical for our entire community and especially our senior class. As part of this, we look forward to bringing back all members of the senior class, both boarding and day students, for an on-campus, senior-trip experience in early June, in line with public health guidelines. You can read more here about our current plans regarding prom, candlelight ceremonies, commencement and more. Again, our goal is to provide meaningful in-person and virtual participation with each of these offerings for all students and families.

**Does Webb plan to open its full, in-person day and boarding program in the fall of 2021?**

We expect to return to Webb’s full, on-campus boarding and day program for the 2021-22 school year.

**Does Webb plan to offer its Junior Scholars Summer Program on campus in July 2021?**

Webb is excited to offer its Junior Scholars Summer Program for rising 7th, 8th, and 9th graders on campus this July. Prospective students and families can learn more on our website about our two sessions and four unique and engaging programs in Paleontology, Science and Engineering, Digital Arts and Global Ethics. Applications are now being accepted.