



## Alain Locke Charter School and all Illinois Schools will remain closed for the rest of the school year.

On April 17th, Governor Pritzker announced that the state-wide mandated school closures will be extended for the remainder of the school year to help mitigate the spread of Covid-19.

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We hope that you and your family are healthy and safe! And we hope that remains true during the current COVID-19 pandemic.

Even though schools are closed, and in-person learning is suspended, **Remote Learning Days at Alain Locke will remain in place for the remainder of the school year.**

Please be sure to check our school's website ([www.alainlocke.org](http://www.alainlocke.org)) for regular updates and other at-home enrichment opportunities.

The goal of our school's remote learning plan is to provide students with at-home learning activities and lessons to help minimize instructional loss, provide students with routines and structures to help stay engaged and connected, and ensure that students are healthy. While our remote learning plan will not replace the classroom learning experience, it is our hope to engage our students in high-quality learning opportunities while we are apart.

As part of our plan, instructors are offering both digital and non-digital learning opportunities as well as daily dedicated "virtual office hours" where students and families can receive regular support. Instructors are reaching out now to walk through what remote learning will look like for your child. Weekly at-home lessons and activities will be posted every Monday by 8:00am on the school's website as well as shared through online platforms such as ClassDojo (Pre-K, grades 2-6) or Edmodo (1st grade and 7-8 grades) or Seesaw (Kindergarten). If you have any questions on using these online platforms, please do not hesitate to reach out to your child's instructor.

If you have internet access and would like to borrow a school laptop so that you can access our online resources and stay connected, please let your child's instructor know so we can arrange a pickup time. Right now Comcast is offering free internet for 60 days to qualifying families who apply at [www.internetessentials.com](http://www.internetessentials.com). If needed, please look at this guide to explore other ways you can get connected to the internet.

Families can pick up school meals Monday through Friday between 9am and 1pm. Please go to this link to find the nearest CPS Grab-and-Go meal sites or call 773-553-KIDS (5437). If you have questions about COVID-19 or concerns about exposure, please email CDPH at [coronavirus@chicago.gov](mailto:coronavirus@chicago.gov) or call 312-746-4835.

We want to thank you in advance for your support and patience as we implement our grade level's remote learning plan for the rest of the school year. Please remember to continue to stay safe through frequent handwashing and practicing social distancing.

As always, we appreciate your continued partnership. We will get through this together as one Alain Locke family!

Regards,

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