

March 12, 2020

Subject: COVID-19 ISK Update #4 and European Travel Warning

Dear ISK Community,

Yesterday, the World Health Organization (WHO) declared COVID-19 a pandemic. This means that countries must now focus on containing the virus and even more on preparation within health services and promoting community solidarity, other essential protective policies and protecting the aged. With the Pandemic declared, ISK is now following its Pandemic Response Protocol, and is currently at Level 1 of this protocol.

It is the responsibility of each ISK community members to read all emails from the school about COVID-19 as well as regularly check the COVID-19 page on the ISK website.

ISK is following the CDC guidelines regarding travel and mandatory self-quarantine. As of today (March 12), the CDC has listed various countries as WARNING Level 3 Risk – Avoid Nonessential Travel. Any ISK community member who travels to/from a CDC Warning Level 3 Risk country must report this information to the school and be aware that they will not be allowed back onto the ISK campus until mandatory 14-day self-quarantine after return to Kenya and clearance from ISK's Health Office (this self-quarantine also applies to all household members, even if they did not travel). Any community member who has traveled to countries that are subsequently listed as Level 3 Risk by the CDC will also be required to self-quarantine for a minimum of 14 days along with their household members. The community is advised to regularly check the CDC's list of countries at the link about travel updates and recommendations.

## Fill Out Family/Student Travel Information

All families are requested to fill out the following form by Friday, 5:00pm indicating where they are traveling in order for ISK to be prepared for when travelers return. Click on this link to fill out this simple travel plan form.

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## **ISK COVID-19 Webpage**

ISK now has a COVID-19 page on its website with all previous updates, Town Hall presentations, travel warnings, ISK's Pandemic Response Protocol, parent/student resources, etc. The COVID-19 page also has more information on our Virtual Learning Plan for each division. Click on this link for the COVID-19 page on ISK's website.

## ISK March Break (March 14-22) and Non-Essential Travel

ISK is following the recommendation to avoid non-essential travel to countries listed by the CDC as Warning Level 3 Risk – Avoid Non-essential Travel. Check the CDC's list of countries at the <u>link about travel updates and recommendations</u>.

Organizations that require their families to be self-quarantined are supported by our Virtual Learning Plan. Please contact your divisional principal if this applies to you and your family.

## **Government of Kenya Travel Advice**

Please also be aware that the Government of Kenya has posted the following on <a href="http://www.health.go.ke/covid-19/">http://www.health.go.ke/covid-19/</a> on <a href="Coronavirus Electronic messages 06-03-2020">Coronavirus Electronic messages 06-03-2020</a> with advice to visitors from countries reporting COVID-19.

The school will continue to provide regular updates via email and on our ISK COVID-19 Webpage.

Warm Regards, David G. Henry Director

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