



Monday, April 20, 2020

To our Nazarene Preschool Parents,

Last Friday Governor Pritzker announced that Illinois will continue the suspension of in-person instruction through the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year. This ruling applies to our preschool.

Our staff never expected that when our students left on Friday, March 13th it would be the last time we would see them in person this school year. We undoubtedly share your sadness and disappointment in the loss of not being able to finish out the school year in-person.

I know that there are many questions about when our Young 3's and 3's can see their teachers and pick up their belongings, along with graduation for our 4's. I am working on how we will make this happen. As the situation remains fluid based on state regulations, no definitive dates can be determined at this time. We will do our very best to provide an end-of-the-year event or day for our families and teachers. We'll let you know when decisions regarding this are made.

Our teachers will continue their weekly Zoom class meetings and I will continue to send regular worksheets. We will continue to do this through the week of May 18, the last week of our planned school year.

I appreciate your understanding and patience during this extremely difficult time. We thank our entire Nazarene Preschool community for your support and encouragement.

We have been pleased to be able to keep our commitment to you and your child by providing resources and staying connected during these weeks and through the end of the school year. We have done this without asking for tuition for April or May, while continuing to pay our teachers for missed classroom time. This commitment to our staff by the leadership of First Church of the Nazarene is appreciated. If you would like to assist us in this effort by making a donation to the Nazarene Preschool Appreciation Fund, you can make an online donation [HERE](#) or write a check to 'Nazarene Preschool' and send it to:

Nazarene Preschool
Attn: Julie Thomas
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I will communicate end of year plans in the coming weeks as we know more about what state guidelines will allow.

Sincerely,

Peggy McDermott
Preschool Director