

Subject: Have a Great Summer! A Note from Judith & Jenn

Dear PCS Families,

As we officially close this school year, we cannot stress enough how proud we are of the PCS community for your stellar collaboration and support during this extraordinary phase in Park Century's evolution. Thank you to our parents for your flexibility and patience as you played a supporting role in delivering your children's education, to our students, who showed admirable resilience in adapting to a new way of learning, and to our amazing faculty and staff, who jumped into high gear to create, modify, and deliver our remote program.

Congratulations to our Class of 2020, the first class in our history to be honored with a drive-through ceremony. Even though their final day at PCS was untraditional, we found them smiling, confident, and positively glowing with the unmistakable excitement of those about to embark on a journey filled with new adventures. We wish you the best and we eagerly await updates on your future successes.

Over the past several weeks, the COVID-19 Task Force to Safely Reopen PCS, made up of administrators, teachers, consultants, and parents, has begun work with Joffe Emergency Services to analyze models for reopening, prepare our building and work spaces, and create safety guidelines based on CDC, California Department of Public Health, and LA County Health Department regulations in order to reopen our campus in September. This is a monumental task that we do not take lightly, and we will continue to meet throughout the summer to finalize these plans. As we get closer to the fall, we will hold Town Hall meetings for community members to discuss changes and new policies and we will distribute a guidebook for the community before reopening. We will be in touch after next week's Task Force meeting with some possible Town Hall dates and we will communicate updates frequently throughout the process. We ask for continued patience as we consider the best options for our community. Please note, our campus will be closed from June 22-June 26 in order to give the administration a much-needed break before diving back into the hard work of reopening PCS.

The Park Century Diversity and Equity Committee will also be meeting throughout the summer to modify curriculum and create specific action items in order to address racial injustice and teach anti-racism. Things won't change if we don't make a full commitment to analyze our own practices and identify specific actions and initiatives. Look for updates from the DEC in the weeks ahead.

Thank you to those of you who attended yesterday's school wide virtual assembly - we know there were some technical difficulties. For those of you who were unable to join, please enjoy this video compilation of A Wonderful World that our Music Teacher, Jason Shepherd, made with our students during the remote learning period. We think this expression of hope from future leaders is a fitting and timely way to end this school year.

Stay safe this summer!

Warmly,

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