

Dear Fuqua School Families,

You all continue to amaze me as we manage the non-stop influx of information about the Coronavirus while also committing to an intrepid pursuit of meaningful distance learning. Constructive feedback is the key to a successful implementation of this new initiative, and I welcome all input designed to improve what we are launching.

It will be a bumpy road at first, but I feel we are off to a good start considering the circumstances. We are all a bit overwhelmed, and I will continue to encourage parents, teachers, and students to communicate and problem solve around issues related to distance learning. I think we are learning to find solutions to most issues and engaging one-another in a “can-do” and “how can I help?” spirit that will result in the best possible solutions as we move forward. A high tide of positivity and creativity raises all boats!

I believe our purposeful and informed response to this crisis is one of the many benefits of being in a small, nimble, and student-centered school. While we have a lot to work on, and we will always be growing and learning; we are truly a family that cares for and supports one-another.

To provide a bit of relief to all families, we will be **extending the re-enrollment** deadline previously set for this Friday to **Friday, April 3**. I hope this will take one task off your plate for the short-term and offer an opportunity get oriented in a rapidly changing global crisis.

Just for fun and to support our community, we will be encouraging families to order carry-out from either the Fishin' Pig or Pino's in Dillwyn this Friday evening. This will be the first of a weekly promotional to support local restaurants, many of whom have contributed to Fuqua School in the past and many of whom are particularly vulnerable at the moment. So, swing by one of these local eateries on Friday evening to pick up some excellent grub and for an opportunity to see some familiar faces in person, but from a distance of 6ft or more!

Keep up the great work!

Stay well,  
John Melton  
Head of School