## **Update on the COVID-19 Situation and Al-Huda School's Plans**

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Assalamu alaikum wa rahmatullahi wa barakatuh,

Dear Parents.

I hope this email finds you in good health and high eman. I ask Allah subhanahoo wa ta'ala to continue to protect our entire community and our families.

As you may be aware, today the <u>World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a pandemic</u>. In our area we have been informed that:

- Eleanor Roosevelt High School and College Park Academy will both be closed tomorrow and Friday (<u>read more here</u>).
- One of the Al-Huda School parents is in self-quarantine after being on a flight in which someone tested positive for COVID-19.
- There have been nine confirmed cases in Montgomery County and three in Prince George's County.

In light of these events, <u>many schools in the DC area</u> as well as across the country are modifying their schedules and looking at alternative teaching modalities in an effort to protect their students, while still being able to continue their learning with a minimal impact.

We are carefully monitoring the situation and simultaneously preparing for online learning for our students. I wanted to keep you abreast of the situation and Al-Huda's plans.

What should you expect in the upcoming days?

- We are considering closing school for a few days to prepare and train our staff for online learning, and to further disinfect the school building. A final decision will be made within the next 24-48 hours
- We are also planning on holding an online meeting/conference call in the next couple of days to share our plans with the Dar-us-Salaam/Al-Huda School community, and answer any questions you may have

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to me. Jazaakumullaahu Khayran.

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