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Dear families,

As this pandemic rages on and we continue to shelter in place, we are closely monitoring emerging developments and the recommendations of public health experts with regard to school closure. We are also deep in planning for the summer.

We will surely have to make adjustments from our typical camp program, and we are preparing **now** so that we are sure to implement quality programming that provides **rich language input, high contact** with **experienced counselors and teachers** (whether live or remote), and loads of **fun activities**.

We remain hopeful. [An article in the Washington Post](#) this past week suggests that the CDC and FEMA are specifically considering summer camps in a plan to reopen the economy:

"The first priority, according to the CDC response document, is to 'reopen community settings where children are cared for, including K-12 schools, daycares, and locally attended summer camps, to allow the workforce to return to work.'"

Our goal is to serve our families and the common good. Most often, we do this through creating vibrant, fun experiences, community, and friendship. But these times call for a sharp focus on how we can responsibly serve community health.

How will this situation affect our summer programming? The answer is evolving. We ask for your patience as we make challenging decisions that we would never have thought necessary just one month ago. We will be updating you very soon.

Thank you for supporting us, your camp family! We hope that you and your families stay well and safe during these uncertain times. Please stay tuned for new programming we will be offering our families very soon to support your children's language learning during this time.

In the meantime, [please see our ever-evolving curated resource page](#) of free and low-cost sites for remote learning and language input. Please e-mail us with your favorites and we will add them to the site!

We are thinking about you and are looking forward to connecting very soon.

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