March 15, 2020

Parents,

Please read the following coronavirus clarification statement from the Utah State Board of Education regarding K-12 school dismissal that was issued over the weekend:

SALT LAKE CITY (March 14, 2020) – “At a news conference yesterday afternoon, Gov. Gary R. Herbert mentioned that during public school’s two-week dismissal, parents who are unable to be home with children will have the option to bring them to school to be supervised by teachers. This is not the case.

School campuses will remain open for the next two weeks so students can retrieve personal items or pick up assignments from their instructors. Some instructors may be available for brief one-on-one tutoring or to help answer student questions about their assignments. It is important to note that schools will not provide childcare of any kind...”

Over the weekend, our neighboring school districts of Davis and Weber made some modifications to their school schedule for the next two-weeks. To be consistent with our sister districts Syracuse Arts Academy will adapt its daily schedule.

The only modifications that differ from the previous emails sent to you last Friday is for those students who attend school to engage in “brief one-on-one tutoring or help answer student questions about their assignments” on Wednesday, March 18 through Friday, March 27. For these students, school will be open at the regular start time until 12:30 pm.

Since SAA is following the lead of the Governor and the State Board of Education to curb the possibility of the virus spreading, buildings will not be staffed after 1:30 pm.

Again, it is strongly suggested that students stay home during this period of time.

As a reminder, Monday, March 16 and March 17 are designated as Teacher Professional Learning Days where school will be closed to all students. Additional questions should be directed to your school administration.

We are grateful for your understanding and patience during this difficult time. We express our deepest appreciation for your wonderful support of SAA.

SAA Administration