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COVID-19 UPDATE

Emergency Programs of Distance Education

Each SPCSA-sponsored charter school that is not already approved to provide a full-time program of distance education submitted a request to the Nevada Department of Education for an Emergency Program of Distance Education under Emergency Directive 005. NDE approved each of these requests and SPCSA-sponsored charter schools began offering distance education no later than March 23, 2020, or, for those that were on a scheduled spring break, immediately following spring break.

Student Engagement

Within the Request for an Emergency Program of Distance Education, schools confirmed that at minimum, each student would be contacted by a licensed teacher or licensed substitute teacher at least once per week for attendance purposes. Below is a summary of attendance for the first two weeks of Distance Education:

Week	Attendance Rate
March 23 – March 27	97.77%
March 30 – April 3	97.96%

Ongoing Communication between SPCSA Staff and Schools

SPCSA has staff has maintained regular communication with school leaders throughout the emergency:

- Minimum once per week conference calls to share updates with schools and answer questions
- Minimum once per week one-on-one call between SPCSA staff and school leaders to discuss school updates, questions and challenges
- Three email blast per week (Monday, Wednesday and Friday) to share information, request action/information from schools, and provide resources