Thursday March 5, 2020

Dear Student,

Please disregard the message sent out earlier this morning and refer to the below updated message instead:

As you may already be aware, Israel’s Ministry of Interior announced yesterday afternoon that foreign travelers who have entered Israel from Austria, France, Germany, Spain and Switzerland are required to undergo a mandatory 14-day self-quarantine. In the upcoming days, Israel will be taking further measures and will also bar entry to any travelers from these countries.

In the case that you have returned from one of these destinations in the past 14 days, you are obligated to undergo a self-quarantine until completing a 14-day period since the date of your departure from the country in mention.
This means that you are required to remain in your dormitory apartment, and should not leave for a period of 14 days from the date of your departure from one of the above-listed countries. You should remain in your private room as much as possible and take extra measures to maintain good hygiene (washing hands, etc.).
Your roommates can continue living in the apartment and are advised to go about their daily routine as usual, but you should not allow visitors into the apartment.
To be clear, during your 14-day quarantine period, you will not be permitted to enter campus or attend classes until the completion of your quarantine.

If you begin to feel unwell and develop a fever, shortness of breath, or a cough, you are advised to seek immediate medical attention.
In this case you should contact the madrich on-call at 054-882-0217 for assistance, should you need it.

If you complete the 14-day self-quarantine without exhibiting any symptoms, you are requested to obtain and present medical clearance from a physician and are then free to return to your daily routine, to enter campus and to attend classes.
In the interim, the Rothberg International School is currently launching an online platform to facilitate distance-learning for those students who are unable to attend classes.
We want to make sure that, even if you cannot participate in person, you can still achieve your academic goals and stay on track for the completion of your program.
We hope to have this system up and running soon, and will notify you once it is live.
As you can understand, this is a very dynamic situation, and the Israeli government continues to issue updated directives in response to the Coronavirus. The Rothberg International School is monitoring these announcements closely, and reserves the right to modify our policy in accordance with any future directives that may be issued.

We recognize that this may be a very challenging situation for you, and that the uncertainty imposed by the Coronavirus is unsettling. Please know that we are here to help, and don’t hesitate to contact us with any questions or concerns you may have. Our Office of Student Life is here to support you, 24/7, and we encourage you to contact us with any questions or concerns you may be experiencing, or any logistical needs you may have (food, medication, learning materials, etc.).

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Sincerely,

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