

Rothberg International School THE HEBREW UNIVERSITY OF JERUSALEM



April 7, 2020

Dear Students,

During Passover, given the nature of the holiday as a time for gathering amongst friends and family, there is concern for a significant increase in infection rates in Israel, and its effects may be far-reaching. Therefore, the Israeli government has announced new emergency regulations to reduce the spread of the Coronavirus.

Starting today, April 7, 2020, at 7:00 P.M. and until Friday, April 10, at 6:00 A.M., traveling outside the area where one lives is prohibited, except for purchasing food or receiving essential services.

Grocery store shopping will only be permitted until by tomorrow, April 8, at 3:00 P.M.

From Wednesday, April 8, at 3:00 P.M. to Thursday, April 9, at 7:00 A.M. food deliveries will also be banned.

Furthermore, starting today at 8:00 P.M. and through Sunday, April 12, at 8:00 A.M., all public transportation services will be suspended, as will international passenger flights. International passenger flights can only operate with the prior approval of the Ministry of Transportation & the Ministry of Interior. Dedicated employee transportation services will be permitted as per the guidelines, as well as taxis for essential purposes only.

The government has required everyone to celebrate Passover in their own homes, with those who share the same household, and without outside guests.

These restrictions will not apply in areas where most of the residents are not Jewish.

The Israeli Police enforcement regulations have been expanded to include the authority to prevent a person or vehicle from leaving their designated zone, to require individuals to identify themselves when leaving their locality, and to withhold individuals if required by law.

The Director General of the Ministry of Health has signed a public health order requiring every individual to wear a mask when leaving home, starting Sunday, April 12, at 7:00 P.M.

We understand that these new regulations demand a new level of self-discipline and bring with them a heightened experience of confinement, and that you may have questions or

concerns that you'd like to address. Please feel comfortable reaching out to the Student Life staff via email, Facebook, or our on-call emergency phone number: 0548820217 without hesitation. This is what we are here for!

Stay healthy, and wishing you a meaningful and memorable holiday,



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