



Dear Parent/Guardian or Community Member,

As you may know, Chancellor Ferebee recently [announced a modified schedule](#) for all DCPS schools to help prevent the spread of coronavirus (COVID-19). All DCPS schools will be closed March 16 – March 31.

The Early Stages evaluation centers will also be closed during this time. However, our staff are still available, and we will continue our regular work with children and families as much as possible until we fully reopen on April 1.

Work that will continue:

- All eligibility, IEP and ISP meetings will proceed as scheduled. An Early Stages staff member will contact you to confirm that meeting by phone is possible for you.
- We will continue to take referrals and complete developmental screenings.
- We will also participate in Transition meetings with Strong Start.

Work that will be rescheduled:

- Evaluations will be rescheduled for a date after April 1. An Early Stages staff member will reach out to you to coordinate rescheduling.
- Presentations and professional development sessions in the community will be rescheduled for a date after April 1.

We understand the inconvenience this may cause for you, and we will do everything we can to expedite rescheduled appointments. We look forward to our continued work with you.

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sean Compagnucci".

Sean Compagnucci
Executive Director, Early Stages