



# International School Bangkok

## **Information about Novel Coronavirus Communication 8**

Dear ISB Community,

I am writing to keep you informed of two recent developments that are specific to our high school.

### **High School Global Citizenship Week**

After considerable deliberation, consultation and discussion, we have made the reluctant decision to cancel all overseas GCW trips.

However, all trips & activities scheduled to take place on campus, in Bangkok and throughout Thailand will still continue as planned.

Students originally scheduled on overseas GCW trips will have the opportunity to be reassigned onto our current Bangkok and Thailand trips.

Please click [here](#) for full message and further details.

### **High School Cultural Convention**

Regretfully, the Cultural Conventions scheduled for 5-9 March have been cancelled.

Last Friday as a result of Singaporean government restrictions regarding school trips, Singapore American School announced that they could not participate in Cultural Convention in March. International School Manila and Taipei American School announced international travel restrictions yesterday through March for their students.

More information will follow in the next couple of days as we look to design our own ISB mini-Cultural Convention for Drama, Dance & Tech, Forensics and Debate and Music.

While not the same as being together live with all of the other delegates, there was overwhelming support from all five of the other schools today to find ways to connect each of our teams virtually for debate, speeches, and performances during this difficult time. Thank you in advance for your understanding.



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## ISB's Ongoing Requests to Our Community

- ISB requests that those who have travelled to mainland China undertake a self-quarantine period of 2 weeks (14 Days) from their return date to Bangkok and not to attend school or come on campus until the quarantine period has ended.
- ISB also requests that parents check their children's temperature before they are sent to school and if a fever is detected to keep your child at home - CDC guideline is 38 celsius or more (100.4 fahrenheit). This also applies to all adults.
- Children and adults who are unwell should not come to school.

## Communications

To help with communication we have created a page on our website linked [here](#). ISB community members are able to access all communications from the school, some FAQs, and links to reliable sources in one place.

## Parent Information Session

We are hosting the Regional Medical Officer Dr. Peter Guerin from the U.S. Embassy Bangkok, for a parent information session on Wednesday, February 12th at 9.30am (MPB 2). Dr. Guerin will provide an update on the 2019-nCoV (Wuhan) Virus, as well as discuss preventive steps you and your family members can take. Dr. Guerin will also be available to answer questions you might have. We are very grateful to Dr. Guerin and the US Embassy. The session will also include Dr. Peyawadee, a specialist in Travel Medicine, from International SOS.

## Travel During February Break

- If you travel to China or transit through China, make sure you do not come on campus for 14 days after your return to Bangkok. Note - travel to China or transiting in China is not recommended.
- Parents and staff are reminded to check travel advisories as well as reliable sources such as the Centres for Disease Control and the World Health Organization. We also ask that ISB parents check their email and the ISB website regularly as this situation is evolving.



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We are very grateful for your understanding and cooperation at this challenging time. If anyone has any questions or concerns, please contact any of us below. We are happy to meet with anyone to talk through any concerns or ideas.

Sincerely,

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