

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT AND FOUNDER OF LUMINARI ON THE DEVELOPING GLOBAL PANDEMIC



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Dear Campers, Parents and Friends,

The past few weeks have caused much concern and created many challenges for all of our Luminari families. We stand with you in this time of uncertainty.

After much consideration, we have decided to close all of our Luminari summer camps for 2020. The health and safety of our campers, directors and staff is our number one priority. This decision was not made lightly. Given the ever-changing directives by our local, state and federal governments, along with the CDC, we believe this decision is in the best interests of everyone involved.

We apologize for the disruption this causes our campers and their families. We are here to answer any questions and to help you in any way we can. We encourage you to stay in touch with us and we promise to do the same. Please look for our bi-monthly newsletter, Lumos, which we will continue to produce.

Luminari remains committed to our mission to foster activities that broaden minds, inspire innovation and promote community engagement. As such, we are excited to share with you that we are developing other ways to engage our campers during our 2020 hiatus.

After much discussion, we have decided to launch a series of dynamic educational videos that offer short, educational experiences, activities and skill builders similar to what you'll find in each of our four in-person camps: *I Want to be an Ambassador!*, *Speak & Tell!*, *Teen Writer!*, and *Camp Delicious!* These *Online Camps* will be available for free via our website and social media platforms. It is a chance to inspire young people to learn new skills, appreciate different perspectives, and even provide a show of global solidarity in a time of crisis from the safety of their own homes. **Look for the first of 12 new Online Camps to premiere on Monday, June 8, 2020.**

Thank you for your understanding and continued support as we make responsible decisions to protect our communities. Please stay safe and we look forward to seeing all of you in 2021!

Sincerely,

Hilda Pang Fu
Luminari President

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