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A few weeks ago North Carolina Governor Roy Cooper made the decision to continue remote learning until May 4; however, in last week's press conference, Cooper made the decision to continue social distancing **until at least May 8, 2020**, AND to continue remote learning through the end of the year.

Because of the orders made by our governor and most other governing authorities such as Mecklenburg County, the pandemic has made it necessary for Hickory Grove Christian School (HGCS) **to continue with our remote learning plan through the end of the year**. Because of the strength of our current instructional position, the future prognosis of the pandemic, and a multitude of factors that are in our favor, we believe that it is in the best interest of our school to make **Friday, May 15, the last day of instruction. This decision allows for the week of May 18-22 to be devoted to makeup work, exams, and remediation. High school exams will be May 18-20.**

Our tentative plans are to monitor the trend of the virus and government orders and look for a time this summer where we can salvage many of the activities (e.g. moving on ceremonies, field days, graduation) that were missed this spring. Graduation was originally scheduled for May 22. That date will not be possible at this time. Our plans are to have a graduation ceremony that is in keeping with the desires of our families so they can have the opportunity to witness this special time in the lives of our students. A survey for seniors will be going out soon to explore options. Prior to graduation, we are working on the possibility of having a senior, socially-distanced, graduation photo memory. Details are being discussed.

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