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EXCUSED EARLY DISMISSAL LETTER DUE TO EASTERN ORTHODOX HOLY WEDNESDAY OBSERVANCE

April 1, 2018

To: All Teachers and School Administrators
From: Reverend Dr. Steven P. Zorzos

To Whom It May Concern,

The Eastern Orthodox Church quite often celebrates Easter on a different Sunday than do the Western Churches. This can be one week, or even several weeks, afterward. This year, Eastern Orthodox Easter falls on Sunday, April 8th.

Of course, this necessarily also means our Holy Week is celebrated at a different time, as well as our Holy Wednesday observance, which this year falls on Wednesday, April 4th.

In our religious tradition Holy Wednesday is a day that all Orthodox Christians are obligated to a Holy Unction service. The church service for children and young people is at 3:00 PM.

We therefore request you excuse the early dismissal of the Orthodox Christian student that attends your school, and bears this letter, for this Eastern Orthodox Holy Wednesday, April 4th, 2018.

Thank you for your understanding.

Most respectfully,

Reverend Steven P. Zorzos, Presiding Priest
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