



April 23, 2020

Good afternoon PIC families,

I have several very good pieces of news to report in this week's communication.

First, we have just learned that PIC has been approved for funding through the Paychex Protection Program (PPP) Loan. This assures us eight additional weeks of covering staff salaries and benefits (through mid-June), should we need them.

You may know from the extensive news coverage that only a small percentage of loan applicants were approved. I need to thank our Finance Committee members who helped me every step of the way through this incredibly challenging process.

The PPP Loan, however does not cover the weeks prior to our receiving the loan, only the weeks that lie ahead.

We are extremely grateful to all the families who responded to our appeal for support when we first closed. To date, we have received over \$100,000 in donations to our PIC COVID-19 Relief Fund, which is one half of a typical monthly payroll.

These gifts came from current families, as well as many alumni families and friends of PIC. These funds will help cover the cost of supporting our teachers from the beginning of our closure, as well as additional operating expenses. On behalf of PIC's Board of Directors and staff, I extend a heartfelt thanks to all who were able to donate. *This is an amazing show of support!*

Moving ahead, it will take the PPP Loan and continued funding through PIC's COVID Relief Fund to sustain the exceptional program that we all love. Monthly operating expenses will continue and this crisis has made it very clear that we need to be well prepared for any emergency and continue to have strong financial reserves to weather the unexpected.

We must continue to ask for your support if you are able, and we will continue to advocate and secure every funding opportunity possible. If you can, [please support PIC's COVID Relief](#)

[Fund](https://parentinfantcenter.org/support-pic/give-covid-relief-fund), or know anyone who may be interested in doing so, please send them to this link:
<https://parentinfantcenter.org/support-pic/give-covid-relief-fund>.

I recognize that each family is experiencing this crisis differently. Our primary goal is to support all of our families in whatever ways possible. Please reach out to anyone on our administrative team to let us know how we may help.

We are beginning to hear of Pennsylvania's plan for a phased-in opening that is yet to be fully understood. I have shifted my focus and have begun to prepare for PIC's reopening, as we await more details from the Governor and guidance from the CDC. I will share additional information as I receive it.

I hope that you can join us for our first family *Cocktails, Mocktails and Conversation* tonight (Thursday, April 23) at 7 pm when [Family Psychologist Steve Glazier](#) will address parenting and self-care during this pandemic.

Join the Zoom Meeting here.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84574378954?pwd=Zmd5Q3RGeE83NHJITUFmMGZhbUxszdz09>

We look forward to hosting additional community connections events in the near future.

Stay safe and stay well,

Deb Green
Executive Director