# SCS TODAY: April 3, 2020

[A late-day update from the SCS Dean's Office]

#### **TODAY'S TOPICS**

— Adding on to yesterday's kudos for successful SCS graduate student open houses (on-campus and online): big thanks to Deb Cavlovich, Marcie Baker and Amanda Hornick for managing CSD's hybrid on-campus-and-virtual meetings, and to Ph.D. student Gaurav Manek who programmed and designed the Visgoth scheduling software that was used by many departments to manage their open houses.

### **OF NOTE**

- To help facilitate remote learning, <u>CS Pathways</u> (formerly SCS Outreach) is developing a pilot program with local nonprofit organization <u>Meta Mesh</u> to bring a permanent solution for free wifi to targeted communities/school districts in the Pittsburgh area. Once students are able to return to classrooms, communities will retain free, wide-reaching wifi access.
- Here are some helpful tips from Zoom's blog for how to keep uninvited quests out of your Zoom event.

## **WEEKEND RECOMMENDATIONS -- FROM TOM CORTINA**

- Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra offers Friday Night Concerts and other videos for your enjoyment.
- <u>Pittsburgh Opera stars offer short performances from their homes</u> around Pittsburgh.
- Need some "quarantunes?" <u>Listen to Glo Phase, an electronic music writer and producer</u> from Pittsburgh as he creates some electronic music from his home.
- Bill Withers was a popular soul artist born in West Virginia with some big hits you might recognize. He passed away recently, but you can celebrate his legacy with this greatest hits playlist.

Until next week, ----- Martial

# SHARE YOUR STORY

Do you have a story to share about teaching, learning or working remotely? Are you overcoming challenges or discovering strength within yourself or new things about your classmates or colleagues while we find ourselves operating in a new paradigm? Help everyone in SCS feel more connected by sharing your story, <a href="mailto:share-your-story@cs.cmu.edu">share-your-story@cs.cmu.edu</a>