



North Little Rock School District

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December 15, 2020

Dear North Little Rock School District Community,

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we make important decisions for the safety of our students and staff. We will always do what is necessary while ensuring that we remain committed to the teaching and learning process. As such, your continuous support is greatly appreciated.

In an effort to slow the spread of COVID-19, **we will continue remote learning for students at the Center of Excellence, North Little Rock High School, and North Little Rock Middle School – Seventh & Eighth Grade Campus on Wednesday, December 16, 2020, and December 17, 2020.** The decision was made after our daily monitoring meeting with principals, district administrators, and our school nurses. Further, our data indicates that the number of cases and the number of quarantines continue to trend upward over the past few days at these school sites. While we encourage students to engage in classes at home, we understand that some families may elect to send their students to campus in the event there is no childcare at home, a lack of internet access, or there is a need for specialized services.

If a student needs a mobile WiFi hotspot, they are asked to contact their school for more information. Meal distribution will continue on remote learning days and will operate as it does on Virtual Learning Fridays.

The holiday break will begin December 21, 2020. Classes will resume on Monday, January 4, 2021, which is a remote learning day for all students in our district. Students who have chosen to return to school for face-to-face instruction will return to campus on Tuesday, January 5, 2021. Our principals, district leadership team, and nurses will continue to monitor COVID-19 data over the winter holiday and will communicate with the community should there be a need to delay face-to-face instruction.

As a reminder, should a staff member or student get tested for COVID-19 for any reason, please notify the district's point of contact immediately to report results that return positive. The number to reach the school district point of contact is **(501) 240-1753** and is available daily from 7:00 am to 8:00 pm. Anyone who calls the hotline after 8:00 p.m. is urged to leave a voicemail, and the call will be returned the following day. If it is an emergency, please call 911.

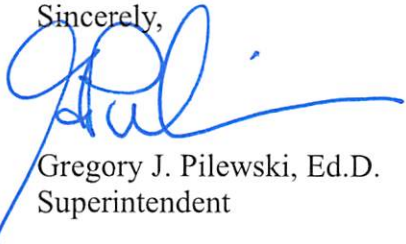
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Please make sure to check your email 24 hours after taking the COVID-19 test, as results will be sent to that account.

If a student or staff member notices a symptom, even if it feels like allergies or the common cold, get tested or go see a physician immediately.

We appreciate everyone for doing their part in helping to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "G. Pilewski", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Gregory J. Pilewski, Ed.D.
Superintendent