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January 15, 2021

Dear North Little Rock School District Community,

We can never overemphasize how much we appreciate your patience, understanding, and support as we navigate through this global pandemic. The safety of our students and staff is top priority. Because of this, we are called to make important decisions for the health, safety, and well being of our students and staff.

In an effort to protect our students and staff, North Little Rock Academy will begin remote learning, beginning Tuesday, January 19, 2021, through Thursday, January 21, 2021, with Virtual Learning Friday as normal. District administrators and school leaders made the decision after reviewing the number of positive cases and the number of quarantines for this particular site. While we encourage the 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.

Our principals, district leadership team, and nurses will continue to monitor the data and will communicate with the community should there be a need to delay face-to-face instruction.

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. Please keep in mind that all schools will be closed on Monday, January 18, 2021, in observance of the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday.

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 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. 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.

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

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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 prevent the spread of COVID-19.

Sincerely,

Gregory J. Pilewski, Ed.D.

Superintendent