



# North Little Rock School District

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January 22, 2021

Dear North Little Rock School District Community,

Thank you for your enduring patience as we grapple with COVID-19 and its effect on our educational resources. Our students and staff are our most prized possessions. Their health and well being are our top priority. The decisions that we make will always be in the best interest of our students, staff, and community.

After reviewing all of the data from the past week, we have determined that **it is safe for students of North Little Rock Middle School -- Seventh & Eighth Grade Campus and the North Little Rock Academy to return to on-site instruction, beginning Monday, January 25, 2021.** The decision to return to school was made after many of our staff members and students who were previously identified as close contacts were cleared to safely return to campus after the quarantine period. Again, we are confident to send our students back into their classrooms while continuing to practice the recommendations of the Arkansas Department of Health and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

As a reminder, if any staff member or student in our school district gets tested for COVID-19, **we urge them to avoid returning to campus until they have received their results. Individuals who get tested should check their email 24 hours after taking a COVID-19 test,** as results will be sent to that account. **Immediately after receiving a positive test result, the individual must contact the school district's point of contact hotline at (501) 240-1753,** which 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.

Contacting the district's point of contact will help us tremendously as we collect data in real time, as a positive case prompts our nurses to quickly investigate and identify close contacts and to place staff and students in quarantine. 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.

As always, we will continue to daily monitor our COVID-19 data and make any adjustments needed to protect the health and safety of our students and staff. As this remains to be an evolving situation, we appreciate your support and assistance as we strive to focus on providing high quality daily instruction for all of our students.

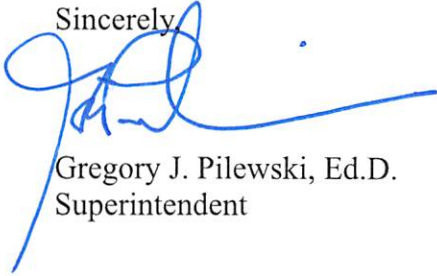
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We thank you for your patience and understanding. We appreciate you for doing your part in helping prevent the spread of COVID-19.

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