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Building Futures: Every Scholar, Every Day

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JNPSD School Community:

This is the seventh update since the first general letter was sent home and posted on March 6. Much has happened since this date, and as the situation changes you will be informed. The Governor is holding a press conference later today, and we will advise on any changes in state plans for schools. Please refer to previous updates that are posted on our website (www.jnpsd.org) and our social media outlets.

1. JNPSD will provide sack lunches for our scholars on Thursday for distribution at sites throughout the city in partnership with the City of Jacksonville. Please contact the Jacksonville Parks and Recreation Department for site locations. Also, Bayou Meto Baptist Church will be a site for distribution of lunches.
2. Family food boxes are available for pick up at the Jacksonville Boys and Girls Club today from 4 pm to 6 pm.
3. We are working on a lunch option for our scholars over spring break. Once we know plans, you will be informed.
4. Spectrum and Comcast are offering FREE internet access during this crisis. Families should call 844-488-8395 to enroll with Spectrum or 855-846-8376 to enroll with Comcast.
5. The Arkansas Department of Education has COVID-19 resources available for your review at the following web address: <http://dese.ade.arkansas.gov/divisions/communications/covid-19-information>.
6. Please follow all safeguards as recommended by the Arkansas Department of Health. Please remember to follow the basic healthy habits that have been repeatedly shared: frequent hand-washing, limit physical greetings, and call your doctor or use the Department of Health/UAMS websites if you need medical advice.

Medical Support:

- a. Healthy.Arkansas.gov – current information from the Arkansas Department of Health
- b. 1-800-803-7847 – 24 hour hotline for COVID-19 questions
- c. uamshealth.com – 24-hour digital connection to healthcare professionals – UAMS
- d. 1-800 -743-3616 – 24-hour hotline for issues related to children's health – ACH

7. If your child has medication at school that you want to pick up, then you can do so as follows:

Please go to your child's school TODAY from 8:30 am – 10:30 am or 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm.

Other times may be scheduled with the principal.

You will sign for the medication.

Identification may be required as well.

Once school is back in session, please remember to return medications to the school nurse.

8. Several teachers and principals are posting video lessons and readings on our JNPSD Facebook page. Please use these resources to continue learning activities for your child.

9. If any middle school and high school scholars are having technical issues with Google Classroom or Chromebooks, please email the teacher. The teacher will contact our technology department if he or she cannot fix the issue.

The COVID-19 situation remains fluid, and school district plans may change as warranted.

JNPSD will communicate with school community members as soon as updated information becomes available. Thank you for your support and understanding.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Bryan Duffie', written in a cursive style.

Bryan Duffie, Ed.D.
Superintendent