



Public Charter Schools

March 13, 2020

Dear LISA Academy Families,

Due to the COVID-19 outbreak and at the direction of the Arkansas Department of Education, ***all schools in Pulaski, Saline, Grant and Jefferson counties will be closed beginning Friday, March 13th through March 29th***. LISA Academy schools in Little Rock, North Little Rock and Sherwood are included in this directive from ADE. LISA Academy Springdale remains open at this time.

This closure includes six scheduled school days and the already scheduled Spring Break. The six days of school closure will be treated as Alternative Methods of Instruction days (AMI). Guidance for online learning for students has been provided by your student's school. **Students should work for six hours daily on AMI assignments.** Please check the school's website for information. Materials have also been sent home with students who do not have access to technology at home.

If you or a family member are experiencing symptoms that you suspect could be COVID-19, you may utilize a free online screening service offered by **UAMS Health** through their online screening site or their hotline number

Free online screening site: <https://uamshealth.com/healthnow/>

Hotline Number: **1-800-632-4502**

Arkansas Children's Hospital also offers a hotline number you may call regarding symptoms in children.

1-800-743-3616

The City of Little Rock, in conjunction with the LRSD and other community organizations, is offering meals during the school closure for all students in Little Rock, regardless of where they attend school. You may access information on the LRSD website at: [Student Meals information in Little Rock](#)

North Little Rock is also offering meals to all students through the NLRSD. You may access that information here: [Student Meals in North Little Rock](#)

Further information will be shared as it becomes available. In the meantime please check school websites frequently and stay informed to keep your family safe.

To minimize risk we ask that you follow these guidelines:

- Remind your students to WASH HANDS thoroughly and frequently!
- Remind your students to cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue or the inside of their elbow.
- Remind students to avoid touching their eyes, nose, and mouth.
- Remind students to avoid close contact with anyone who is sick, and to avoid any unnecessary close contact with others in general.

Our district will be conducting thorough sanitizing of all buildings during this closure period in an effort to ensure the safest possible environment when students return. If we all work together, we can better mitigate the impact of COVID-19 on our schools and community. As always, if you have questions or concerns, please contact us.

Sincerely,
Dr. Fatih Bogrek, Superintendent

You may find additional resources on the following websites:

Arkansas Department of Health Current Status Updates:
<https://www.healthy.arkansas.gov/programs-services/topics/novel-coronavirus>

Centers For Disease Control and Prevention:
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/index.html>