



Public Charter Schools

March 3, 2020

Dear LISA Academy Families,

LISA Academy considers protecting the health and safety of our staff and students a top priority. In response to the recent coronavirus (COVID-19) concerns, our administration has been reviewing and monitoring recommendations issued by CDC and the state of Arkansas to prepare for any action should an emergency be declared. At this point we have not experienced any known COVID-19 cases in our schools. We will work with the Arkansas Health Department, the Arkansas Department of Education, and other designated government entities should any emergency occur.

As reported on the CDC website:

“COVID-19 is a respiratory illness caused by a novel (new) virus, and we are learning more about it every day. There is currently no vaccine to protect against COVID-19. At this point, the best way to prevent infection is to avoid being exposed to the virus that causes it. Stopping transmission (spread) of the virus through everyday practices is the best way to keep people healthy. More information on COVID-19 is available [here](#).”

Part of the guidance issued by the CDC involves following common-sense preventive actions for students and staff. This guidance for individuals includes:

- Stay home and away from others when sick
- Cover coughs and sneezes
- Frequently clean touched surfaces
- Wash hands frequently
- Keep hands away from face, mouth and eyes

As part of our plan LISA Academy will:

- Monitor absenteeism patterns of students and staff
- Keep students and staff who become sick at school separate from well students and staff
- Refer any suspected cases of COVID-19 to health care providers for evaluation and screening
- Perform additional environmental cleaning within all schools

If school closures become necessary, LISA Academy has been approved by the Arkansas Division of Elementary and Secondary Education to utilize up to 10 days of Alternative Methods of Instruction (AMI) days to provide instruction for students. If a closure beyond that time is necessary, the missed days would likely be made up at the end of the school year.

LISA Academy will continue to monitor the situation and will provide updated information as it becomes available. In the meantime, please help us help your students by following the recommended guidance provided and by communicating with your child’s school if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,
Dr. Fatih Bogrek, Superintendent

You may find additional resources on the following websites:

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

Arkansas Department of Health - <https://www.healthy.arkansas.gov/>

Coronavirus Disease – 2019(COVID-19) and Children -

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/specific-groups/children-faq.html>

What you need to know about coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) -

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/downloads/2019-ncov-factsheet.pdf>

Spanish Version - <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/downloads/2019-ncov-factsheet-sp.pdf>