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LPS Community,

As the first semester quickly comes to a close, we want to take a moment to provide you with several important updates as we officially begin our winter vacation Friday afternoon. Don't forget that **Friday, December 18, 2020**, is a two-hour early release for students.

Reporting Covid-19 Positive Cases and Quarantines Over Winter Vacation

We know that Covid-19 will continue to be a presence in our community during the upcoming winter vacation. Families do not need to report any Covid-19 related information prior to Monday, January 4, 2021, as our students and staff will not be present in buildings. It is important to remember that if your child(ren) would be identified as positive or exposed over the winter vacation and would need to quarantine, per [LPS Symptoms and Protocols](#), they should not be present at school on Tuesday, January 5, 2021.

LPS Covid-19 Testing Site Closed During Winter Vacation

Our Covid-19 testing site will be closed during winter vacation (Monday, December 21, 2020 - Friday, January 1, 2021). The site will reopen on Monday, January 4, for LPS staff only. It will then be made available for both staff and students on Tuesday, January 5, 2021. For more information on the LPS Covid-19 Testing Site, [click here](#).

Vaccine Update in our School Community

As you have likely seen in recent media reports, the Covid-19 vaccine rollout is moving along at a rapid pace. School staff/personnel have been identified to have the opportunity to be vaccinated, possibly as soon as late January 2021. Plans are currently being developed, with additional information to be shared following the winter vacation, with LPS staff. We currently have no updates to report regarding vaccinations for students at this time.

Air Purifiers to be Provided in Every Classroom Beginning January 2021

We are excited to share that we have been able to acquire high-efficiency particulate air filter units that will be installed in each classroom space across the District in the coming weeks. These air purifiers will be used to help move and scrub the air of potential viruses and will further reduce the risk of contracting viruses, including Covid-19, through aerosol transmission. These purifiers were able to be purchased through CARES Act Relief funds.

As you can see, much work continues as it relates to Covid-19 and our *Return to Learn* plans. We cannot thank each of you enough for the patience, grace, and flexibility you have displayed over the course of this semester. All of us in Liberty Public Schools

wish our staff, students, families, and community an enjoyable holiday season and Happy New Year. We look forward to welcoming everyone back on Tuesday, January 5, 2021!

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