



*(sent May 14, 2021)*

LPS Community,

We have been closely following the updates made to public health emergency orders from both federal and local health officials the past 24 hours.

Earlier today, the Clay County Public Health Center announced that its public health emergency order expired, effective at 12 p.m. today. The update, however, does not include any changes to mitigation efforts pertaining to [school guidance](#). With only two weeks remaining in the 2020-2021 school year, LPS will join other peer metro school districts and continue with our current mitigation efforts, which include having students and staff wearing masks while in District facilities. This will remain in effect through our last day of school on **Friday, May 28, 2021**. We would then expect to receive additional guidance, to be shared later this month, that would have the strong likelihood of allowing more flexibility as we transition into our summer school session in June and beyond.

As we have shared with you throughout this past school year, we are very appreciative of the patience, grace, and flexibility that our students, staff, and families have shown as we have collectively navigated this unique and challenging school year. There is so much to celebrate in LPS as we near the conclusion of the 2020-2021 school year, and none of it would be possible without your support.

Thank you for your attention, and have a great upcoming weekend and conclusion to the 2020-2021 school year!

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