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Date: March 13, 2020
To: Students and Parents
From: Wayne Guiltner, Superintendent
Re: COVID-19 Preparation

Today the Governor of Arkansas gave his plan for schools related to the COVID-19 virus. There are four counties in central Arkansas that have closed their schools until March 30, after spring break. Those counties are Pulaski, Saline, Grant, and Jefferson. All other schools are to remain open unless they have a presumptive case of COVID-19, within their school. There are no presumptive cases within the Salem School District currently.

We will follow Governor Hutchinson's and his medical team's leadership. If we were to close school, you will receive a recorded call from the school and we would post it to our website and social media outlets. Obviously, there will be rumors; however, the school will be in session unless you receive a recorded phone call from Salem Schools.

I am very proud of our staff and students for how they prepared for the possibility of AMI days and assignments. These AMI assignments will be used if the school were to close. I am very thankful for all the work that was put into these assignments by our staff. The assignments will be sent home with students on March 13. Please keep the assignments at home for your child to complete only if you receive a school closure phone call from Salem Schools.

We are currently investigating ways to continue our food service program for students during a school closure. If we are able to continue these services for our students during a school closing, I will put out further instructions on how to pick up school meals as well as where to pick them up.

I hope that all of our preparations are for nothing, but in the event they are not, I am confident we will be able to continue the educational process at Salem Schools.

Thank you,



Wayne Guiltner
Superintendent,
Salem School District