

November 24, 2020

Hello DAAS Parents and Scholars.

We have been monitoring the pandemic as it continues to surge. Our priority is the safety of our scholars, their families, and our staff. In light of the current increase of cases in the State, the County Health Department has recommended that all schools close their buildings and offer 100% virtual until January 19, 2021.

We have considered all options and have concluded that it will be best to follow the guidance of the health professionals. Thus, we will shut down our Remote Learning Pods early for the Holidays and ask all our students to participate in virtual learning from home. So please make note of the following updated schedule for our Learning Pods.

- Last day of on site learning pods will be Friday, December 4<sup>th</sup>. Students should log on to their classes from home until our last day of school before Holiday Break on December 18, 2020.
- All students will resume school virtually from home on January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021.
- On site Learning Pods at DAAS will start back on Tuesday, January 19, 2021.
- We will continue to offer lunch to all of our students through our Meal delivery program which will deliver meals on Mondays and Wednesdays.
- The building will be open only on Mondays and Wednesdays from 9am to 3pm for device returns, pickup, and meal delivery.

We encourage you to reach out to us if you have any questions. Our priority is the safety of our students and staff and we believe our plan reflects that. A copy of the Return to School and Extended Covid Learning plans are available on our website.

Lastly, we need all parents to ensure that your students are attending all of their classes and completing their assignments.

Thank you again for being a part of the DAAS family and know that your child's safety and education are our priority. Wishing you and yours a wonderful and Happy Thanksgiving.

Educationally Yours,

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