



*Thursday, December 17*

As our students head toward their final day of learning in 2020, we have an important update on COVID-19 procedures during Winter Break. All NKC Schools contact tracing operations will continue with a few changes in procedure.

**If a student receives a positive COVID-19 test, probable diagnosis, or exposure notification during Winter Break, families should contact Student Services at 816-321-5004 immediately.**

Although NKC Schools will be out of session for 16 days, all documentation, contact tracing, and health department reporting will continue. Due to the length of our break period, there is still potential for students and staff to be affected. Timely, accurate information regarding any cases will help us maintain these critical efforts and communication. Thank you for your partnership in this process.

Letters from your student's principal about any positive cases will not be sent prior to the second week of Winter Break to allow staff and families uninterrupted time to rest and recharge. The district's COVID-19 dashboard will not be updated during the break, but a special dashboard pertaining to Winter Break, alone, will be published upon our return.

As we enjoy and celebrate the holiday season, let's all commit to continued practice of mitigation measures: wearing masks, washing hands frequently, social distancing whenever possible, limiting travel, and staying home when sick. We want your family to enjoy your break to the fullest extent possible. Your health and wellness is important to accomplishing that goal.

Even during the break, NKC Schools is committed to serving our families and community. Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch with your student's principal. Enjoy the well-deserved break ahead!