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Dear LPS Parents and Staff:

We want to begin this message by thanking all of you for the outpouring of support and caring for the Arapahoe High School community. Many people have offered their assistance. Please know that the Arapahoe community greatly appreciates this support. As opportunities to help present themselves, that information will be shared with you.

Today's communication is to remind everyone of the plans for Monday and of the safety protocols in place at all of our schools.

We continue to follow the direction of the Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office. As we stated last night, Arapahoe High School will be closed Monday. All other district schools will be in session Monday.

There are many activities scheduled in schools across the district this week. Individual schools will communicate with their parent communities about upcoming activities.

All district principals and other administrators met today and are prepared to support students and staff on Monday and in the days ahead.

LPS security protocols will continue to be in place and additional safety measures have been added for the coming days:

- We are fortunate that we were able to install buzz-in systems in all district elementary and middle schools a year ago;
- It's important to remember that all of our high schools and middle schools also have uniformed police officers serving as School Resource Officers;
- Police and district security will patrol the areas around all of our schools more frequently;
- Mental health teams will continue to be available to students, staff, and families;
- All adults in our schools are asked to continue to be extra vigilant;
- All visitors must sign in at the main office and receive a visitor's badge;
- All facilities will continue to be monitored 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

We sincerely appreciate your support and cooperation during this difficult time. Thank you for partnering with us in these efforts.

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As reported by the Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office today, Claire Davis, the 17-year-old Arapahoe High School senior who was shot yesterday, is suffering from severe head trauma. She remains in critical condition at this time. In a written statement from the Davis family today, they ask the community for their continued support, prayers, and respect for privacy.

We will continue to keep you informed in the days ahead. As I said in my communication last night, Littleton Public Schools is a family. We continue to care for one another as we move forward.

Sincerely,

Scott Murphy
Superintendent of Schools