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Due to major staffing shortages and a major decline in student attendance, Panama Public Schools will pivot all students to distance learning starting Wednesday, January 12<sup>th</sup>. Students will return to school on Tuesday, January 18<sup>th</sup>, since Monday, January 17<sup>th</sup>, is a holiday.

- ▶ Child Nutrition will continue to provide daily meals during the work week at the Middle School and Elementary cafeteria from 8 – 12 pm.
- ▶ JH and HS extra-curricular activities will proceed as scheduled for now.
- ▶ Kiamichi Technology Center students will still attend classes at the normal scheduled times (buses will run as usual).
- ▶ We will be doing a deep cleaning of all buildings, buses, and classrooms.

We understand these decisions are difficult and the transition to distance learning creates challenges for many students and families. Thank you for your patience and understanding as we continue to navigate through this pandemic. If you have any questions call your child's site building or e-mail your child's teacher.

Mr. Walden  
Superintendent

