



# Arkansas Department of Health

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Dear U of A Fayetteville Student:

We are writing to let you know that two incubation periods (52 days) have passed since the last reported case of mumps on the U of A Fayetteville campus. Therefore, the Arkansas Department of Health (ADH) is declaring the mumps outbreak over as of February 10, 2020.

This means that students who have been excluded from campus due to an exemption may now return to class and activities on campus. However, we want to remind you that the requirement for all students to have two doses of Measles, Mumps, and Rubella (MMR) vaccine, documented immunity, or an approved exemption is still in effect.

We also want to thank you for your cooperation in this effort to protect as many people as possible from the mumps. We know it has been a hardship for students with exemptions to remain out of class and not participate in campus-related activities. We are also grateful for the vast majority of U of A Fayetteville students, who are now up to date with the required doses of MMR vaccine.

We thank you again for your cooperation in ending this outbreak of mumps. It could not have been achieved without your help.

Sincerely,

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