



LITTLE ROCK

SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Little Rock Community:

We have some important updates regarding Scott Field on the campus of Forest Heights STEM Academy. After thoroughly reviewing use of the field and taking into consideration student safety, the Little Rock School District has reached a decision that we believe will be a mutual benefit to both our school and community.

As you may be aware, the field and athletic facilities at Scott Field were heavily damaged this past June due to vandalism. In addition, several construction and renovation projects are currently underway at multiple LRSD campuses, which means more practices and athletic activities are having to pivot to Scott Field. In order to maintain our facilities and allow public use, we are implementing the changes outlined below.

Access controls have now been installed at Scott Field, which will enable us to manage entrances and exits automatically according to a set schedule. With these controls in place, the following guidelines will be in effect for public access to the track:

- **Weekday Mornings**
5 am - 7 am - Public access to the track will be permitted during these hours.
- **During School Operating Hours**
For the safety of our students, **no public use** will be authorized while the school is in session.
- **Weekday Evenings**
4:30 pm – Sunset – Facility will be open to the public on weekdays during these hours, **unless LRSD has practices or games occurring.**
- **Weekends (Saturdays and Sundays)**
7:00 am – Sunset - The facility will be open to the public on weekends during these hours, unless there is a rental agreement for the use of the field. **(Approved Activities)**
- **It's important to note that there will be no general public access to the football field. Only the track will be accessible for general public use.**

These measures are put in place to ensure the safety of our students during school hours and to coordinate the use of Scott Field with LRSD activities, while allowing continued community use. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation in adhering to these guidelines. Our priority is to create a safe and productive environment for all members of our community. Thank you for your ongoing support of LRSD.

Little Rock School District Administration