MARQUETTE, Mich. - "It will be classes as normal Monday, and the university will not be closed," said Northern Michigan University President John X. Jamrich, in response to rumors circulating in this Upper Peninsula community.

Jamrich made these remarks after receiving a report from the university's Human Rights Commission Friday night.

Their report recommended that "any Black student, who feels he is endangered, be allowed to leave the university without penalty."

According to this report, without penalty would mean that they may take the grade they now have in their classes, or take an incomplete and make up the work later.

The university's Academic Senate, upon receipt of this recommendation, voted to endorse it and to make this their recommendation to the president.

Jamrich emphasized that the above steps "do not mean that this recommendation is in effect, but that I have taken it under advisement and will reach a decision on it between now and Monday, May 18."

In other developments, the Academic Senate said it will seek volunteers from the faculty to be on the campus and in the residence halls for the remainder of the semester.

The entire Student Personnel staff will be working on 24 hour shifts during this period, in order to respond and assist students and faculty members by providing a source of accurate information.

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