Remote Learning in Federal Way Public Schools

While schools are closed, we continue to focus on supporting our scholars with their learning. At the start of the closure, we mailed home standards-based lessons and learning activities for scholars to practice their learning. Students should continue to work on these through April 17, 2020. Beginning April 20, we will provide additional remote learning options.

What is Remote Learning?

### REMOTE LEARNING IS

- Weekly lessons and activities, consisting of digital and non-digital materials, which students work on independently and submit to their teacher
- A model of instruction that can occur at any time—students independently self-pace their learning once teachers share the resources
- Teacher communication through phone, email, Canvas and Zoom
- Teachers offer online office hours and/or telephone feedback for student

### REMOTE LEARNING IS NOT

- A replacement for normal daily instruction and the rich experience that occurs within the school face-to-face
- An online school
- Only digital learning

What does this mean for me?

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<th>SCHOLARS SHOULD</th>
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<td>• Check Canvas every Monday and complete the assignments provided each week</td>
<td>• Support a daily home schedule for instruction</td>
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<td>• Connect with your teacher(s) once a week via email and Zoom or Canvas video</td>
<td>• Provide a space for scholars to learn and complete work</td>
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<td>• Reach out to your teacher if you need support or have questions</td>
<td>• Connect with your child’s teacher(s) once a week via email and Zoom or Canvas video</td>
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<td>• Complete other learning activities, such as reading or accessing online resources</td>
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What types of lessons and activities can I expect to see?

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<td>• Read together</td>
<td>• 30 minutes daily plus independent reading and physical activity</td>
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<td>• One assignment per course each week</td>
<td>• High School and Beyond Plan components</td>
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<td>• Physical activity</td>
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<td>Not to exceed a total of 3 hours per day</td>
<td>• Work with teachers on submission of work to meet standards</td>
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<td>• Math activities</td>
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Teachers will provide digital and/or non-digital activities in the following content areas in a variety of ways including pre-recorded video lessons, live lessons, simple projects, paper/pencil activities. These activities are for practice and feedback from the teacher.
Tips for talking with your children about COVID-19, from the CDC

- Remain calm and reassuring.
- Make yourself available to listen and to talk.
- Avoid language that might blame others and lead to stigma.
- Pay attention to what children see or hear on television, radio, or online.
- Provide information that is honest and accurate.
- Teach children everyday actions to reduce the spread of germs.

ParentVUE

To access ParentVUE, visit https://grades.fwps.org/.

ParentVUE allows for two-way communication between teachers and parents in multiple languages. To receive messages in a language other than English, please set your preferred language on the login page of ParentVUE or on the mobile app.

When your child's teacher sends a message through ParentVUE, you will receive an email containing the message. To respond to this message, you must login to your ParentVUE account. (Do not respond to the noreply@fwps.org email notification.)

If you need assistance with ParentVUE, visit https://www.fwps.org/ParentPortal or email grades@fwps.org.

Phone Calls

During the closure, teachers will use Google Voice. The number may appear from a different area code than our geographical area. Google Voice is two-way, which means parents can call the number and leave a message if needed.

Texting

If you have opted in for texting, you may receive one-way text messages from your school and the district. Some schools may have additional methods for two-way texting with your child's teacher, with apps such as Remind. Two-way texting across the district with Remind is coming soon.

How to Access Zoom Meetings

Your child's teacher may send you an invitation to participate in a Zoom video conference. To access this meeting on a computer, click on the link provided in the invitation. To access this meeting over the phone, you can call the number provided or download the Zoom mobile app at https://www.zoom.us/download.

How to Access Canvas

To access canvas, visit https://fwps.instructure.com/ or access through Clever.

Your child's username is their Student ID, and their password is the same one used to log in to computers at school.

More information

More information can be found at www.fwps.org/parentportal.