



LINE MOUNTAIN SCHOOL DISTRICT

Continuity of Education Plan

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Goal of Plan
<p>During these unchartered times it would not be realistic – or fair – to expect parents and guardians, many of whom face their own challenges right now, to also take on the role of substitute teacher.</p> <p>The district is mindful, that no matter what we do, any efforts to try and replicate the work our skilled teachers perform in classrooms will be difficult. Districts have been implementing programs and apps intended to support, facilitate, and meet the different learning styles of students done through classroom instruction for years. Whereas, we are now being asked to do to in days - in less than optimal conditions – changes that have taken years of development to attain in our classrooms today. Therefore, it is important that everyone understands during this very stressful time that the online review and enrichment activities are voluntary. At this time many of our teachers already have activities up on Microsoft teams. Thursday, April 9th, will be the target date to have all class review and enrichment activities up and online.</p> <p>The goal of the Line Mountain School District’s Continuity of Education Plan will be to provide education for our students throughout the duration of school closures due to the Covid-19 pandemic to the best of our ability. We want to stay connected to our students and families in order to support their educational and emotional needs during this unprecedented time.</p> <p>On Friday, April 17, 2020 PDE as a result of schools being closed until the end of the school year, now expects schools to offer Planned Instruction at all grade levels as part of their continuity of education plan. Planned Instruction is formal teaching and learning, similar to what occurs in a classroom setting. Within this process, teachers use planned courses of instruction of new concepts/skills aligned to grade level standards.</p> <p>Therefore, the Line Mountain School District will provide even more new planned learning instruction beginning April 27th. The district remains mindful of the challenges of connectivity, available</p>

technology, and replicating the work our skilled teachers perform in classrooms; that online learning continues to present parents and guardians. In addition to the new Planned Instruction, we will continue to offer Enrichment and Review, which consists of informal activities that reinforce or extend students' prior learning.

Overview of Plan

The Line Mountain School District is committed to providing Continuity of Education throughout the duration of school closures due to the pandemic. We will be providing Enrichment, Review, and new planned instruction, for our students. Our teachers and staff will continue to meet the needs of our students by analyzing and reflecting on students' prior learning. They will develop materials and informal activities to reinforce or extend students' prior learning. These materials and informal activities will be shared with families through the best method possible for each family. Teachers and staff will have frequent communication with families and will continue to meet the needs of our students to the greatest extent possible during this unprecedented time.

Expectations for Teaching and Learning

Each teacher is responsible for providing activities for all students each day (Monday – Friday). In grade levels K through 4, teachers will provide one ELA and one Math activity for students. In grades 5 through 12, teachers will provide one activity per subject area taught. Additionally, all students will have one activity per week relating to SEL and one activity per week relating to Career Readiness.

Communication Tools and Strategies

Beginning March 30, 2020, Line Mountain School District faculty will have begun creating Microsoft teams Classrooms for each course/class they teach. Thursday, April 9th, will be the target date to have all class review and enrichment activities up and online. Teachers can post classroom review and enrichment materials/resources/informal activities through Microsoft teams. Additionally, teachers will be available to communicate with students and families via email, Zoom, Microsoft Teams, Class Dojo, and telephone.

Access (Devices, Platforms, Handouts)

Staff will communicate with all families and survey them to determine the availability of technology in the home in order to determine the most appropriate method of Continuity of Education delivery. For families with limited access to technology, Line Mountain School District staff will provide printed enrichment, review, and new planned instruction packets. Line Mountain School District staff will ensure that materials are delivered to families when requested. Currently plans include pickup on Mondays and Thursdays during our breakfast and lunch program.

Additional alert now messages providing information, and instructions for those with and without internet accessibility are forthcoming and will continue throughout this school closure. All alert now messages can be read on our website.

Staff General Expectations

Staff expectations will be similar to normal staff expectations, when buildings are not physically closed, as much as possible. Staff will plan for activities for all students each day (Monday – Friday). In grade levels Pre-K through 4, teachers will provide one ELA and one Math activity for students. In grades 5 through 12, teachers will provide one activity per subject area taught. Additionally, all students will have one activity per week relating to SEL and one activity per week relating to Career Readiness. Additionally, they will provide families with access to supplemental and enrichment resources. Teachers are to communicate frequently with families and regularly check email (replying within 24 hours). Special education timelines will be monitored and to the greatest extent possible conduct required meetings (virtually/phone). Staff will also continue to have regular communication with their supervisors.

Student Expectations

Students are expected to participate in activities and complete work to the best of their ability. Work can be reviewed by teachers but will not be graded. Students and families are encouraged to communicate regularly with staff should they have specific needs.

Attendance / Accountability

Staff will maintain regular communication with families and students. This communication should be documented. Attendance will not be formally taken for students. However, staff will be in close communication with students and families to help ensure participation.

Good Faith Efforts for Access and Equity for All Students

For families with limited access to technology, Line Mountain School District staff will provide printed enrichment and review packets. Families are instructed to call their child's Principal's Office to request the materials for their child's classes. Staff will then make printed packets and arrange for delivery to families as needed.

Special Education services during the Covid-19 closure are designed to represent a good faith, best effort to honor our obligation of providing a free appropriate public education and meet the needs of students with disabilities during this period of closure, when many instructional resources and face-to-face contact are necessarily limited. This interim plan is intended to remain in effect only during the period of this emergency school closure. It does not replace the current IEP, which will resume when the mandated closure ends. When school resumes, the IEP team will conduct individualized assessments of your child's academic and functional skills to determine a need for services that may be related to this disruption in education.

Students with disabilities will receive special education and related services during each full week of emergency school closure. The special education case manager, aides, and related service providers will be in touch with families to determine the services and materials. These services will be provided online, over the phone, or in printed format depending on the needs of the student. These services will be implemented in addition to the regular education course work to allow participation in the general curriculum as outlined in the current IEP. Reasonable, appropriate accommodations and modifications will be made in consideration of each student's individual needs and current restrictions resulting from this global health pandemic. A copy of the procedural safeguards notice can be found at www.linemountain.com which is the school district website.