2019-2020

DISTRICT Learning-at-Home and Summer Enrichment Plan

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**DISTRICT NAME** Corinth School District

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INTRODUCTION

The Mississippi Department of Education (MDE) is committed to providing essential technical guidance and support mechanisms to assist districts during the time of extended school building closure as a result of COVID-19. The MDE recognizes and appreciates that districts are taking different approaches depending on their local capacity and infrastructure during this building closure. The State Board of Education (SBE) has provided flexibility within existing laws and policies regarding instructional time, graduation requirements, attendance, assessment and accountability.

In accordance with Governor Tate Reeves’ Executive Order 1476, school districts shall operate with essential personnel to offer distance learning or other instructional means necessary for students to achieve completion of grade-level essential instruction for the 2019-2020 academic school year. Additionally, school districts shall submit to the SBE plans for summer learning and enrichment measures necessary to (a) mitigate disruption from the Spring 2020 school closure due to COVID-19 and (b) to enhance learning in preparation for the 2020-21 academic school year. Per Executive Order 1476, summer learning and enrichment measures are to be provided to all students in all schools.

The District Learning-at-Home and Summer Enrichment Plan is designed to ensure districts are taking deliberate and thoughtful actions to facilitate and individualize continued student learning and progress monitoring during closure.

Taking a traditional school environment online is not a simple task – nor is it one that should be attempted without serious consideration of the practicality and risk.

The MDE is not directing districts that they must transition to delivery of all content online, as we recognize that online access and remote support for rural students and students with disabilities will certainly pose equity issues across the state. Districts need to consider how they can help facilitate continued learning within homes across the state – either through online opportunities, by making grade-level instructional packets, Family Guides for Student Success, or other resources available for pick-up at school or various locations within the district, or through a combination of delivery systems.

RESOURCES

The MDE has compiled a variety of resources for districts to use during the extended school building closure, online at https://www.mdek12.org/covid19/districtresources. The materials and tools may be used to provide additional resources to parents or students. This information is only intended to be a general summary of information provided to the public. The MDE does not endorse or promote any commercial products or services. Please make sure that you choose the tool(s), resource(s) or material(s) that are developmentally appropriate and best fit the needs of your students, school, or district.
Resources have been divided into the following categories:

- Internet Services
- Multiple Content Area Resources
- Arts (Dance, Music, Theatre, Visual Arts) Resources
- Career and Technical Education (CTE) Resources
- English Language Arts Resources
- Mathematics Resources
- Science Resources
- Social Studies Resources
- World Language Resources
- Counselor Resources
- English Learner Resources
- Intervention Resources
- Students with Special Needs Resources
- Virtual Learning Resources

DISTRICT LEARNING-AT-HOME AND SUMMER ENRICHMENT PLAN REQUIREMENTS

- Consider individual students’ needs, grade-level expectations, and district capacity.
- Communicate with key stakeholders, including staff, parents, students, and other community partners.
- Submit completed plan, including SECTION I, to rhood@mdek12.org no later than May 15, 2020.
**SECTION A** Instructional Delivery During School Building Closure

Select all that apply. Note that Option C is a combination of Options A and B.

- **Option A:** Distance/Virtual/e-Learning/Remote Method(s)
- **Option B:** Packets/Assignments (portfolio, project-based, etc.)
- **Option C:** Blended *(combination of Option A and Method B)*
- **Option D:** Other (provide brief description):

**SECTION B** Instructional Content During School Building Closure

Select all that apply. Note that Option C is a combination of Options A and B.

- **Option A:** MDE Resources
  - Mississippi Online Course Approval (MOCA) Courses
  - Learning-at-Home Resources for Districts
  - Learning-at-Home Resources for Families
- **Option B:** Individual District Developed/Hosted
  - District-developed online/hybrid content
  - District-selected online/hybrid content
  - District make-and-take packets based on locally selected textbooks/instructional materials
  - Make-and-take packets from another district/vendor (provide brief description):
    - i-Ready
- **Option C:** Other
  - Combination of Option A and Option B
  - Other (provide brief description):
Section C

Final Course Grade Calculation for 2019-2020 School Year

Indicate which of the following methods the district is using to calculate student grades, as well as specific grade bands for each method (for example: K-2, K-8, 6-8, 9-12).

NOTE: Grading policies are a local school district decision. This information is being collected per Executive Order 1476.

☐ Option A: Third nine-week grades as final grades/completion for the year
  Grade Band:

☐ Option B: Average first, second, and third nine-week grades with fourth nine-week
  assignments (digital, packets, blended, etc.) grade for End-of-Year Grade
  Grade Band:

☒ Option C: Final exam grade averaged with first, second, and third nine-week report
  card grades for End-of-Year Final Grade
  Grade Band:

☐ Option D: Credit by Examination” or “Credit by Advancement” through final exam or
  assignment to measure standards mastery
  Grade Band:

☐ Option E: Pass/Fail course grade
  Grade Band:

  NOTE: Districts should exercise caution regarding use of pass/fail grades for
  graduating seniors, as student eligibility for NCAA athletics may be impacted. More
  information is available through this NCAA FAQ document.

☐ Option F: Other (provide brief description):
  Grade Band:

In accordance with Executive Order 1476, describe how the district will provide students with feedback/grades on assignments completed during the extended school building closure and during summer learning and enrichment programs.

Multiple measures are being used to provide students with feedback/grades on assignments completed during the building closure and summer learning and enrichment programs. Students in grades 6-12 are completing assignments in our learning management system. Teachers are using the feedback and assessment features of this system in an effort to communicate proficiency, progress, and growth to students. Students are presenting projects with teachers providing feedback to them. In addition, students enrolled in Cambridge courses are completing Cambridge practice assessments, projects, writing assignments, and reflective essays to provide evidence needed for them to receive a passing score and credit on the Cambridge
exams. Personal feedback on in-and-out-of-class assignments is also being provided during class meetings. Students in grades 1-8 are meeting with teachers via Zoom following the district’s prescribed schedule. Personal feedback is provided to students as they participate in these classes. These students have also continued to use i-Ready and other district provided instructional software programs. Teachers and administrators are monitoring their completion rates and progress. Students in grades 2-8 are presently taking end-of-the-year i-Ready diagnostic assessments. As of today, over 75% of the students have completed or in-progress on the Reading and Mathematics assessments. Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten teachers are providing individual and group feedback via their Zoom lessons provided to our students. Teachers are also following up with individual zoom meetings with specific students to address specific issues and concerns noted in class meetings and on the completion of assigned tasks and instructional software. Student projects are being reviewed and assessed and this will continue as our summer enrichment program will incorporate projects to be completed. Technology-based platforms such as Seesaw, Padlet, Linoit, Mentimeter, Nearpod and Flipgrid are also being used to check for student understanding of concepts learned. Teachers are also providing individual feedback through Remind along with personal telephone and home visit contacts. Teachers are also maintaining "Participation in On-line Learning" Google documents that provide information on individual student participation and performance.

**SECTION D Summer Learning and Enrichment**

In accordance with Executive Order 1476, please indicate which of the following methods the district is using to offer summer learning, Extended School year (ESY) services, and enrichment to students. Note that ESY is not the same as summer learning.

*Select all that apply. Note that Option C is a combination of Options A and B.*

- **Option A:** Distance/Virtual/e-Learning/Remote Method(s)
- **Option B:** Packets/Assignments (portfolio, project-based, etc.)
- **Option C:** Blended (combination of Option A and Method B)
- **Option D:** Other (provide brief description):
Briefly describe the district’s summer learning, Extended School year (ESY) services, and enrichment programming (frequency, content areas, and duration, including days per week and number of weeks).

The Corinth School District will hold the Corinth Academy of Learning which is an extension of our intersession programs. This Academy will concentrate on the core areas of mathematics and language arts. However, it will include limited science and social studies instruction. These academies will be designed to focus on the specific achievement bands—low 25%; middle 50%; and upper 25%. Targeted instructional activities will be delivered digitally (Monday-Thursday) and via learning packets for a three week period. Since we do not finish school until June 6 and anticipate starting mid to late July, this Academy of Learning will run for three weeks beginning on June 15. It is our intent to bring in our bottom 20 students for face-to-face instruction, if allowable, for a two week period. This instruction will be on Monday-Thursday from 8:00-12:00. In addition, enrichment opportunities such as virtual field trips, art, music, and dance activities will also be provided as some more enjoyable activities for students. High school students will be given the opportunity to take additional high school courses via on-line instruction and begin dual enrollment classes in July. ESY activities will be scheduled for our special needs students based on the IEP meetings currently being held.

SECTION E Communication and Participation

In order to effectively serve all students within a district, communication is essential. Please note below how the district has communicated its Learning-at-Home and Summer Enrichment Plan with families.

Select all that apply.

- **Option A**: Letters mailed to families
- **Option B**: Emails to families
- **Option C**: Social media posts
- **Option D**: Text messages to families
- **Option E**: Local print media
- **Option F**: Other (provide brief description):
Briefly describe how the district will monitor participation by students during the extended building closure and summer enrichment programs.

Student participation will be recorded in an online Google Document that details the participation, quality of work, and performance. Teachers will use technology applications such as Seesaw, Padlet, Linoit, Mentimeter, Nearpod, and Flipgrid to check for understanding of key concepts. I-Ready standards mastery assessments will be given to enable students to demonstrate mastery on the taught standards. Teachers will contact students and parents and provide them feedback through Zoom, Remind, and personal contacts. Students will also have access to I-Ready and other district software programs. Teachers will monitor the participation of students on these programs.

SECTION F Transcripts and Senior Transitions

District supports for graduating seniors may look different during an extended school building closure. High schools must ensure students have the necessary documents to continue their academic pursuits or transition into the work force.

Briefly describe how the district will ensure students receive transcripts and final grades upon graduation.

Students will complete a transcript request form when they pick up their caps and gowns. Students will also receive a blank transcript request form that can be used to request additional transcripts, should they be needed. Seniors will receive their final grades on the district-issued report card at the graduation ceremony, if held. Otherwise, the final report card will be mailed to the address on file. Report cards for all other students will be mailed home once the school year has closed.

SECTION G Assurances for Continued Learning for All Students
In accordance with Executive Order 1476, the school district is offering distance learning or other instructional means necessary for students to achieve completion of grade-level essential instruction for the 2019-2020 academic school year. Additionally, the school district is offering summer learning and enrichment measures necessary to (a) mitigate disruption from the Spring 2020 school closure due to COVID-19 and (b) to enhance learning in preparation for the 2020-21 academic school year.

SECTION H Assurances for Students with Disabilities

It is clear the United States Department of Education (ED) does not want school districts to consider the provision of services to students with disabilities under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) as a barrier or a reason not to offer educational services to any of their students through distance instruction or otherwise.

In compliance with COVID-19 guidance, the following assurances have been discussed and are included in planning efforts for students with disabilities, including students with 504 plans.

- Assure that services are provided for all students with disabilities, including students with 504 plans, and maintain appropriate documentation to support all efforts;
- Assure that services, materials, assignments, and instruction, are individualized and aligned to student IEP goals;
- Assure that district plans address how progress or lack of progress will be collected and documented in anticipation of considering the need for ESY and/or compensatory services;
- Assure that students with disabilities will not be excluded from participating in courses;
- Comply with all state and federal regulations;
- Ensure educators and administrators collaborate and utilize creative options to meet the individual needs of the students; and
- Consider the impact of the district’s final course grade calculation method selected in Section C as it relates to IEP review and development for each student. The most recent USDOE guidance can be found here.

SECTION I Assurances for English Language Learners
The district is working collaboratively to:

- Provide effective two-way communication with families in a language that they understand.
- Tailor instruction and assessments to students' English Language proficiency needs in all four language domains (Listening, Speaking, Reading, and Writing).

SECTION J  District Certification of Assurances

By providing a digital signature or typing my name below and submitting this document, I certify that the school district is providing continued learning experiences, including summer learning and enrichment measures, as outlined in this plan.

District Superintendent's Digital Signature

District Superintendent's Name  Edward Lee Childress

Date  May 15, 2020

SECTION K  MDE Approval

5/15/2020

Nathan Oakley (for Carey M. Wright)

Date Received

State Superintendent Acceptance