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## Decatur County Distance Learning Guide August 20, 2021

Due to staffing concerns related to COVID, Decatur County Schools will transition to distance learning at the end of the school day on Friday, August 20, 2021. Students will bring their chromebook home and utilize google classroom to maintain learning expectations. Monday, August 23rd will be a transition day and students enrolled in face to face learning will not attend school or have instruction. This day will be used for teachers to prepare and transition instructional plans for learning to resume on Tuesday, August 24th. Students will be in distance learning from Tuesday, August 24th - Friday, September 3, 2021. Face to Face instruction will resume on Tuesday, September 7, 2021.

NOTE: Students who are currently enrolled in remote learning will continue their progress in assigned courses/coursework and utilize google classroom to maintain communication with remote learning teachers.

At this time, all extracurricular activities will continue as planned as long as staffing can be maintained.

### Instructional Platforms and Resources:

Level	Instructional Platform
Primary/Elementary	Google Classroom/iReady
Middle	Google Classroom/iReady
High	Google Classroom

### Student Instruction and Responsibilities:

- All K-12 students will be supplied with a DCBOE Chrome book. (If your student has not yet been assigned a chromebook, please contact your child’s teacher/school. Schools will be scheduling appointments as needed.)
- Students must join assigned google classrooms with classroom codes.
- Instructional meetings will take place weekly through Google Meets. Attendance will be taken.
- PK Instructional Packets will be prepared and distributed next week. More information will be provided by your child’s teacher/school.

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### Wi-Fi Access:

- All school parking lots are available for wi-fi connections.
- Additional wi-fi access points will be posted on social media and district websites once locations and times are determined.

### Students without Wi-Fi access:

- If your student is unable to maintain learning via digital resources, please contact your child's teacher/school.


### Daily Instructional Time:

Level	Online Structure	Instructional Time Expectations
Primary/Elementary	<u>Monday – Thursday</u> Daily Instructional Schedule	PK-2: Not to exceed 90 minutes per day 3-5: Not to exceed 120 minutes per day <i>In addition, all students should read for a minimum of 30 minutes a day.</i>
Middle	<u>Monday – Thursday</u> Daily Instructional Schedule	30 minutes of online learning and student workload per subject, per day.
High	<u>Monday – Thursday</u> A/B Schedule	45 minutes of online learning and student workload per subject, per day.
All	Friday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Will remain a work day for students.</li> <li>- Will remain a day to provide additional help to individual students.</li> <li>- Will remain a collaborative planning day for teachers.</li> </ul>

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**Online Learning Time (Attendance will be Taken)**

BHS/NBLC/PLC	Day of the Week	Online Class Time
1 <sup>st</sup> Block	Monday/Wednesday	1:00-2:00
2 <sup>nd</sup> Block	Monday/Wednesday	2:00-3:00
3 <sup>rd</sup> Block	Tuesday/Thursday	1:00-2:00
4 <sup>th</sup> Block	Tuesday/Thursday	2:00-3:00
Cats Connect	Friday	1:00-2:00 as needed
BMS	Day of the Week	Online Class Time
HR/1 <sup>st</sup>	As needed	TBD
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Monday/Wednesday	11:00-11:30
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Monday/Wednesday	11:35-12:05
4 <sup>th</sup>	Monday/Wednesday	12:10-12:40
5 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday/Thursday	11:00-11:30*
6 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday/Thursday	11:35-12:05*
7 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday/Thursday	12:10-12:40*
Primary/Elementary	Day of the Week	Online Class Time Window
Pre-K	Monday – Thursday	9:00-11:30**
K-2	Monday – Thursday	9:00-11:30**
3rd - 5th	Monday – Thursday	9:00-11:30**

\*Individual teacher rotation will vary during these blocks based on individual schedules. More information will be given to students as needed.

\*\*Primary/Elementary Students will be grouped to do online work with the teacher(s) based on individual classroom schedule and need during this time in smaller groups. They will not remain online during the entire time daily as a large group.

- Teachers will follow-up with their students throughout the week via google classroom, google meets, email and/or telephone contact.
- Additional meetings will take place to allow for small group or individual instruction as needed throughout the week. The times listed are just dedicated instructional online times.
- Instructional items will be graded as determined by the teacher. All grades will be reported via google classroom and/or Parent Portal.

**Food Services:** School Nutrition will provide opportunities for grab and go meals. More information to be posted on social media with locations and schedules.