

Dear West Bloomfield Families,

It has been another busy day as we prepare to launch our Cloud Learning initiative this week. We want to briefly outline the resources available on the <u>Cloud Learning Initiative</u> webpage. Please bookmark the <u>Cloud Learning Initiative</u> webpage as it will serve as your primary point of reference during our closure.

We have asked teachers to plan instruction for your children through Friday, March 27. Please understand, we do not expect nor do we want your child to be tied to their device for six hours a day. We anticipate the assignments and projects provided will take approximately three hours daily. Of course, it could take some students longer and that is perfectly fine. We believe there should be a balance between online learning and other educational opportunities like reading. writing, practicing the skills they have learned and collaborating with peers. Equally important is making sure your child's mental health needs are met; this includes time to play, relax and spend time with you.

PARENT RESOURCES

Specific information for parents can be found here: <u>Cloud Learning for Parents</u> This includes a screencast on accessing your child's Google classroom, our expectations on "netiquette" and our district communications about COVID-19, meal service, technology and more. We will continue to update this page.

Parents with children in grades 3-12 will receive an email from your child's teacher requesting you join their Google Classroom page. Please accept this request, as you will need this access to monitor your child's progress. If you do not get a request, please email your child's teacher(s).

Parents with children in grades K-2 will receive specific login information for our Google platform and PowerSchool families next week when you pick up your instructional resource packet from your respective school.

Information about K-5 pickup times for instructional resources can be found here: <u>K-5 Instructional Resource Info--South End</u> <u>K-5 Instructional Resource Info--North End</u>

Secondary students are very familiar with *Google Classroom* and should be "experts" in accessing *Classroom*, submitting assignments and communicating with their teachers.

Your child's teacher will be a great resource throughout our closure as well.



STUDENT RESOURCES

Important information for students can be found here: <u>Cloud Learning for Students</u> The student page includes "netiquette" expectations which we would like your child to review with you. Additionally, we have reminders about their email addresses. Finally, the Daily Schedule page helps frame Cloud Learning and the time they should devote each day to their learning.

We will continue to update this page as needed. Please have your child check it daily.

THANK YOU!

Finally, thank you for your support, kind words and patience as we navigate this unique time in our world together. Members of the Teaching and Learning team are happy to answer your questions and address your concerns.

For questions or concerns, <u>www.wbsd.org/cloudlearning</u>