

LEHIGHTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

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“Partnering with students, families, and community to provide opportunities for life-long success through academic excellence and individual growth in a safe and supportive environment.”

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Lehighton Area School District is working diligently to implement and deliver a formalized, appropriate and equitable at-home learning environment for all our students. During this unprecedented time, we recognize the importance of not only continuing our students’ education but also working with our families to assure our students are receiving the district’s primary responsibility to administer it.

What follows is an outline of the district's plan for education at home, while our schools are closed for this extended period. The first part of the continuity of education plan is being rolled out this week with the goal of identifying students who do not have technology and/or resources to assist with the educational opportunities. We will be contacting the students’ families directly who need assistance in this area. Additionally, this type of educational plan will require our families to partner with the school district and understand that this process will require patience and flexibility for all. **It is the intent of the district, where needed, to provide one mobile device per household (please note, not per child) that can access online curriculum. These devices are intended for families without accessibility at home.**

This posting is a general outline of the district’s continuity of education plan for students in grades K-12. A more detailed plan (more grade and subject specific) will be shared with the students and families as part of the communication from their teachers and building level administrators. Part of this discussion may include, but not limited to the following: how to access online student curriculum, how to navigate resources, how to ask for help, and the expectations of school work that is being presented.

LAHS - Grades 9-12: *(Lehighton Area High School)*

Students will receive online enrichment and review to maintain student engagement in learning. Online resources will provide practice for students to become more secure in standards and skills that were previously taught. Lehighton Area High School teachers will create online assignments and communicate those assignments through Canvas or Google classroom. Each learning activity that your child submits will be reviewed by the teacher, and your child will receive feedback and continued instruction in an effort to achieve their learning objective.

LAMS - Grades 6, 7, and 8: *(Lehigh Area Middle School)*

Students will receive online activities for enrichment and review that will provide practice for students to extend their prior learning before the closure. Students will be working with their Teams of core academic courses that will review previously taught content in English, Math, Science, and Social Studies/History, using a variety of educational resources that will be communicated to parents through their teachers. Electives will be offered as well and we encourage everyone to balance their day and make sure to take care of their educational, social and emotional needs.

Intermediate Grades 3-5: *(Lehigh Area Elementary Center)*

Students will receive online enrichment and review to maintain student engagement in learning. Online resources will provide practice for students to become more secure in standards and skills that were previously taught. Classroom teachers will create online assignments and communicate those assignments through Class DoJo, Remind, SeeSaw, and/or Canvas. Encore activities will be offered as well through resources provided by our Encore teachers on the district website. We encourage all of our students to balance their day and use our Encore activities as a positive outlet for their passions.

Primary Grades K-2: *(Lehigh Area Elementary Center)*

Students will receive online enrichment/review packets to maintain student engagement in learning. Online resources will provide practice for students to become more secure in standards and skills that were previously taught. Classroom teachers will create review and enrichment packets covering educational information previously covered this school year and present to parents through Class DoJo, Remind, Zoom, SeeSaw, and/or Canvas. Encore activities will be offered as well through resources provided by our Encore teachers on the district website. We encourage all of our students to balance their day and use our Encore activities as a positive outlet for their educational experience.

Pre K: *(Lehigh Area Elementary Center)*

Students will receive online enrichment/review packets to maintain student engagement in learning. Online resources will provide practice for students to become more secure in standards and skills that were previously taught. The classroom teacher & paraprofessional will create review and enrichment packets covering educational information previously covered this school year and present to parents through personal contact and the appropriate software packages. We encourage all of our students to balance their day.

Special Services Support:

Our special education staff will work diligently to provide reasonable and appropriate educational accommodations and supports to meet the needs of all learners. Students and families will be contacted individually to assess their needs to successfully access this online delivery model. Families should expect to hear not only from their child's classroom teacher, but also from their child's case manager and any related service providers, such as speech and district social workers and behavior interventionists. Families are encouraged to reach out to their child's case manager or classroom teacher if any questions or concerns arise throughout this transition and beyond.