SchoolsPLP Parent Orientation Questions

My child hasn't been assigned a student ID number yet. What should I do?
To receive an ID number for your student, you will need to contact the school. Once your student is enrolled, they will be assigned an ID number.

Are printed packets going to be available to everyone?
The printed activity sheet packets are for the Lincoln Learning content. Below is a list of the contents that should receive printed packets. This will be for all elementary schools. The NKC Print Shop is working diligently to get them prepared.

K – Math, ELA, Science, SS
1 – Math, ELA, Science, SS
2 – Math, ELA, Science, SS
3 – ELA
4 – SS

Can students work ahead?
Schools PLP curriculum is a self-paced curriculum so students are allowed to work at a pace they are comfortable with. In order to keep pace to complete the course within the semester/year students should look at completing four lessons a week in core content areas.

When will we get student login information?
https://nkcschools.schoolsplp.com/login
username: StudentID number
password: birthdate Mmmddyyyy (i.e. Jun072010)

Is there a text to speech option for students who have special services in the area of reading?

1. The text to speech option is built inherently into the iPad.
2. Launch “Settings”
3. Scroll down to “Accessibility” and tap on “Spoken Content”
4. Slide the Speak Selection toggle to “ON”

Will the lessons in the demo account be the lessons for each respective grade or just demo lessons?
The lessons in the demo account are the same lessons you will see in the student’s actual account.
Demo Account
https://nkcschools.schoolsplp.com/login
Username: Ddemo123
Password: Ddemo123

Is there a chance you would reconsider and give access the Friday before so we had a chance to review prior to the first day?
Unfortunately, providing access early is not possible due to the pacing of content and lessons.

Will lunches be provided for virtual students to pick up?
Students or their parents can come in to the school and pick up a breakfast or lunch for free.

So if it’s a full year course, do we just take the total number and divide it in half and we would need to have that many assignments completed by January 18th?
Yes, this is correct. Yearlong courses are K-2 grade core classes. Semester courses are marked A & B and are 3-8th grade core classes.

Will students be allowed to redo lessons/quizzes/tests an unlimited number of times as was last year?
Yes. Students can redo lessons/quizzes/tests an unlimited number of times.

Where do find feedback on their lessons?
Teacher comments/feedback will be available in the gradebook.

My son has an IEP. Will he have several meetings with his teacher in a week? Will his teacher teach lessons to him? Will he have speech therapy meetings?
We work closely with our special education department to ensure modifications are met. Lessons are not taught directly to students. The parents are the learning coach in the SchoolsPLP system. Please contact your child’s case manager or home school for further information regarding speech therapy.

My son used Canvas last year. The lessons the teachers gave had videos on what and how to do assignments. Will it be the same?
Canvas and SchoolsPLP are not the same. Some of the curriculum has built in videos, but not all.

My son will be out of state until August 29th. We will not be able to pick up his iPad before then. Can we please modify his start date so we aren’t a week behind from the beginning?
Work with your teacher facilitator to make this happen. If he has access to a computer out of state, he can still continue to work.

Can we still log in early to try and prep for the first day if we’re using a personal device?
The system will let you log in, however you will not have access to the lessons and curriculum until the first day of school on Monday, August 23.

When will we learn who the facilitator is?
Teacher facilitators were notified Monday of their students. They should be reaching out this week to set up virtual Meet the Teacher meetings.

Do students have access to Khan Academy or other resources to supplement learning?
Absolutely. Khan Academy is a free resource available to all students. We encourage you to contact your school’s Library Media Specialist to learn more about available resources. Tutor.com is also a resource available through our library media specialist. If you have questions or need assistance, please email Angie Wiegers at angie.wiegers@nkcschools.org or get in touch via phone at 816-321-6422. You can access the library media presentation with the links at https://bit.ly/3yX6GnM.

Last year there were numerous activities within a "lesson" for grades 3 & 6. Is the district looking at the "lesson" or "activity" for counting towards progress tracking?
The best plan of attack is to print out a monthly calendar and lay out the lesson/activities within a lesson to ensure completion by the end of the semester.

Will the weekly meetings with the facilitator be one-on-one meetings or is that up to the facilitator’s discretion (e.g. group meetings instead)?
They can be one-on-one but may also be group meetings. It would be dependent on student need.

Do students in 9th-12th grade use SchoolsPLP as well?
No. The district went a different route with 9-12th grade.

Are the schools prioritizing handing out iPads to virtual students since they rely on it for learning?
iPad handout is based on the building’s schedule. Neither group of students is prioritized. Students should receive their device within the first few days of school.

Can we use our own device, or are we required to use the district device?
You absolutely can use your own device. SchoolsPLP is web-based so it works on virtually any device.

Does it matter what browser we use?
SchoolsPLP is browser-agnostic, so it functions in any browser.

Can my virtual student attend in person violin class?
Yes. Virtual students can attend in-person performance classes: band, orchestra, choir and theatre. Please contact your school as soon as possible to arrange enrollment.
We haven't switched to PLP yet, do we sign up with you or the school?
Please contact your home school and inform them of your decision.