

Frequently Asked Questions MCESC Schools PLP

1. When will remote lessons begin?

○ Parent orientation will be Aug. 20 from 7:15-8:15pm and will be virtual. We will send and post links to the Orientation by Wednesday, Aug. 19. Lessons will begin on August 24. We had to extend our survey to allow parents more time to make the most appropriate decision.

2. Will there be an option to move back and forth between remote and in-person learning?

○ Students will be locked into the online program until the **end of the first semester**. Parents will have until September 8 to switch back to Option 1. Upon returning to school in January, students will be placed in classes which correspond to what they were taking online.

3. How will scheduling for BHS take place? Do I need to pick up a schedule?

○ All BHS students are being scheduled by the guidance dept. They are working to align schedules with MCESC PLP offerings. Although an exact match may not be possible, the schedules will be similar to what the student requested last year. You do not need to pick up a schedule in the office. When the students log on MCESC PLP, they will see the courses assigned to them.

4. How will testing and grading be conducted?

○ Remote Learning assessments and grading will take place online. Grading will follow the Brookville Schools grade scale and policies.

5. Will chromebooks be available for students to use at home for the virtual learning option? What about students who don't have internet access?

- Chromebooks will be available based on need. Students are required to have wifi to access the online curriculum. Tech pickup will be scheduled on Tuesday, August 18 outside the high school media center (center door) from 10-12 and 1-5 and Wednesday, August 19 from 4-5 by appointment only. Please pull up to the circle.

6. What if my child qualifies for free and reduced lunch? Will we be able to receive services?

- Food will be available. Please look for pick-up dates and times from Mr. Porter, our food services director.

7. Can I purchase the printed materials that go along with the courses?

- Workbooks are available for purchase, but they are very expensive through the MCEC (\$100 per course). All material can be downloaded and printed for free from the website. Many lessons come with suggested items to use for instruction. These are not required.

8. What can I do now to begin preparing for remote instruction?

- Please secure access to reliable internet and ensure that this is maintained through the course of the semester. Establish a good working space for your child. Parents must monitor and support the online learning environment. Students can also be removed from the program for non compliance with required participation in the online materials. This program of learning was created as a result of the COVID-19 virus pandemic and may not be an option in the second semester.

9. What if my child qualifies for special education services? Will they be able to receive services?

- Yes, we are required to provide services. All students who receive services will be contacted by the Special Education Department to set up meetings to modify the IEP's and establish the most appropriate educational plan.

10. Does my child have to log in at a specific time each day?

- It is required that students log in each day and complete work. We understand that parents are working. This program was selected because it is flexible. Students will not be scheduled for live instruction. All of the instruction is provided through the learning system and is available 24 hours a day. Students receiving IEP or related services with assigned Brookville staff, may have additional instruction on specific dates and times. This may limit the flexibility but is based on IEP goals.

11. Will students who are remote be able to participate in sports or other activities hosted by the school.

- Yes, students must maintain eligibility, but may participate in sports. Brookville Schools will have a strict no visitor policy for the first semester. This has meant the cancellation of many events such as SWAP Day, musicals, clubs and book fairs.

12. Will my child be on the computer all day? Are there additional requirements?

- Screen time should be limited. The curriculum is self-paced and designed to streamline the content. We don't want students sitting at a computer all day. Time should be set aside to go outside and take breaks. In addition, independent reading time is required. Your goal should be 30

minutes or more in Kindergarten and first grade and at least 40 minutes per day for second grade and up. Need help with books? Please contact the Brookville Public Library at 937-463-2665. You may also contact our librarians. Ms. Young 937-833-6796 (Elementary) or Mrs. Davis 937-833-6761 (BHS/BIS).

13. How will this look for students?

- Each school day students will log into Schools PLP. Students can complete their work at a time each day convenient to them. If Brookville schools are not in session, remote students will also be off from school. Students log in to chromebooks just as they do here at school (email and lunch code). This information will be sent via email today. Please log on to make sure the chromebook is working and that you can get on PLP. Please call our tech office and speak to Rick Dobberstein if you are unsure of your log in or experience any issues. 937-833-6761



Look for the login on our district webpage.

14. How often will the school be communicating with us?

- Brookville Schools will continue to communicate with families through ParentSquare, our website as well as social media. Our remote students are a part of our school and we want to keep everyone in the loop. Our teacher coaches will be reaching out to check on students throughout the semester. They will also be monitoring the dashboard daily. Our attendance officer will also be alerted if students are not on the learning system.

15. What if my student is ill?

○ Attendance will be monitored and reported in our school systems throughout the week. Please contact our school offices to report absences. When your child is well, they can rejoin the learning online and complete any missed work. We will be working closely with our Attendance Officer, Mr. Ketron. The office numbers and email addresses are below:

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