

OUTLINE OF SEVERAL SCENARIOS FOR DISTANCE LEARNING

As you know, due to the current situation with COVID-19, it is possible that some students at least may need to do some of their learning from home this year. There are three very different situations, each of which will be handled uniquely.

If your child needs to be at home for some time while the rest of his or her class is doing in-person learning

- Teachers will post assignments, handouts, and other class materials using Google Classroom. Handouts or other materials will be posted before class begins and homework for the next day will be posted by no later than 4:00 p.m.
- We will rely primarily upon live streaming to keep your child aware of what is going on in the classroom. *NOTE: In some cases (for instance, if your child's class is out of doors), live streaming may be difficult or impossible to provide.*
- Your child's teachers will work hard to provide the support needed to keep up in this learning environment, and will take into account the difference between in-person and distance learning when evaluating his or her work.
- We will ask your child to appear in uniform when she is working virtually with the rest of the class on campus.

If your child's entire class needs to be home for some time while the rest of the school continues to operate in person

- Teachers will use the regularly scheduled class time to do distance learning via Zoom and Google Classroom.
- Teachers will be instructed in practices to limit screen time while still providing as rich an experience as possible for the class.

If the entire school needs to be home for some time

- The school will switch to an adapted schedule, similar to last year's approach but with a number of improvements based upon your feedback, including:
 - more contact time for students
 - clearer guidelines for Zoom
 - more effective training for faculty in the use of classroom tools
 - better equipment for accomplishing our aims
 - an increased use of one-on-one time with faculty members through "office hours."

Reporting “Absences”

Teachers will be taking attendance via Zoom at the beginning of class. If your child cannot make a regularly scheduled Zoom meeting, please call the office to report an absence as you normally would.