

VIRGINIA COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #64

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Parents and Guardians of Virginia CUSD 64 Students:

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This school year, Virginia CUSD 64 will be implementing e-learning days, to be used in place of emergency days, in the event we have school closures due to weather or other issues. This is a separate plan from the Return to Learn Plan that we have been using so far for the 2020-2021 school year. More detailed information will be shared once the Regional Office of Education approves them. The particular details will be provided prior to implementation of the e-learning days. Included in the implementation is an assurance that we will ensure access for all students, ensure that the specific needs of all students are met and contain a provision designed to reasonably and practicably accomplish the following:

- Ensure and verify at least 5 clock hours of instruction or school work, as required under Section 10-19.05, for each student participating in an e-learning day
- Ensure access from home or other appropriate remote facility for all students participating, including computers, the Internet, and other forms of electronic communication that must be utilized in the proposed program
- Ensure that non-electronic materials are made available for students participating in the program who do not have access to the required technology or to participating teachers or students who are prevented from accessing the required technology
- Ensure appropriate learning opportunities for students with special needs
- Monitor and verify each student's electronic participation
- Address the extent to which student participation is within the student's control as to the time, pace, and means of learning
- Provide effective notice to students and their parents or guardians of the use of particular days for e-learning
- Provide staff and students with adequate training for e-learning days' participation
- Ensure that all teachers and staff who may be involved in the provisions of e-learning have access to any and all hardware and software that may be required for the program
- Ensure an opportunity for any collective bargaining negotiations with representatives of the school district's employees that would be legally required, and including all classifications of school district employees who are represented by collective bargaining agreements and who would be affected in the event of an e-learning day
- Review and revise the program as implemented to address difficulties confronted
- Ensure that the protocol regarding general expectations and responsibilities of the program is communicated to teachers, staff, and students at least 30 days prior to utilizing an e-learning day

Sincerely,
Gary DePatis, Superintendent



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