

IMPORTANT NOTICE: August 6th – Digital Learning Day

July 26, 2021

Hello PCSD Community,

We hope you have had a wonderful summer and are as excited as we are to return to school on August 2, 2021! A great deal of preparation has gone into being ready for this school year, and we appreciate your support and input.

Earlier this week, we informed you of our Back-to-School Opening Plan and how we will begin the year in Yellow mode implementing certain Preventive Practices regarding COVID-19. The plan is based on what we learned last school year and what we can reasonably expect heading into the new school year.

As we prepare all students for future success, Digital Learning has become an expected part of every student's learning experience for the delivery of instruction, collaborative work with peers, and participation in academic interventions; however, the district also uses Digital Learning Days to facilitate the continuation of learning on pre-planned calendar days (such as October 15, 2021) or as a part of unanticipated emergency closures (such as snow days).

Last year, we utilized Digital Learning Days at the end of the first week of school. This adjustment allowed our teachers, schools, and transportation department to make needed procedural changes based on what they observed during the first few days of school. It also allowed our students and families an opportunity to gain experience with accessing our instructional platforms and digital resources. For those reasons, we have once again decided to incorporate this Digital Learning Day into the schedule for the 2021-2022 school year.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
AUGUST 2	AUGUST 3	AUGUST 4	AUGUST 5	AUGUST 6
Regular Schedule	Regular Schedule	Regular Schedule	Regular Schedule	Digital Learning Day (Red Level 1)

Students will attend school in-person for instruction Monday-Thursday, but Friday, August 6, 2021, will be a Digital Learning Day where all students participate remotely. The regular, in-person schedule will resume on Monday, August 9, 2021. This additional Digital Learning Day will not impact the remaining 2021-2022 school calendar.

Thank you again for your support and your input as we open another year in the Paulding County School District. We are in this TOGETHER in 2021-2022!

Digital Learning Days Parent Information



RED LEVEL

OVERVIEW

For future school closures, we may declare Red Level 1 "Digital Learning Days". Our students will have the opportunity to continue their learning while at the same time having flexibility to complete the activities at home. Teachers will provide assignments via Canvas, our learning management system, for students to complete at home. Teachers will also be available for virtual "office hours" through Canvas should students or parents have questions on the material or need assistance with their learning.

DAILY ASSIGNMENT EXPECTATIONS

<u> Kindergarten – 2nd Grade</u>

A Reading assignment and a Math Assignment with Science and Social Studies integrated.

3rd – 5th Grade

One assignment in each of the following: Math and ELA with Science and Socials Studies integrated and specials (see schedule).

6th – 8th Grade

One assignment from each of a student's classes.

9th – 12th Grade

One assignment from each of a student's classes.

TIPS FOR SUCCESS

- Make sure your student can access Canvas.
- Set up your parent account.
- Combined work from all classes totals 2-3 hours for elementary students and 4-5 hours for middle and high school students per day.

VIRTUAL OFFICE HOURS

Check with your children's teacher for details on how to connect with them through Canvas on the Digital Learning Day.

As a minimum, teacher office hours are as follows:

- Elementary: 9-10am OR 1-2pm
- Middle/High: 10-11am OR 2-3pm

REQUIREMENTS

- All Digital Work will be housed in Canvas in a module labeled "DATE Digital Learning Day".
- The module will be published for student access by 9:00 am on the Digital Learning Day.
- Each subject's work will have a submission component such as quiz, discussion, or assignment.

DIGITAL ACCESS CONCERNS

- Request a hard copy of assignments upon return to school.
- Students will have time upon returning to school to complete assignments.
- Media Centers will be open before and after school as needed following a closure to provide students access to computers.

SPECIALS SCHEDULE

	MON	TUES	WED	THU	FRI
3	Art	STEM	Venture	PE	Music
4	Music	Art	STEM	Venture	PE
5	PE	Music	Art	STEM	Venture

NEED HELP?

- Refer to the Canvas parent and student guides
- Contact your child's teacher

LEARN MORE AT:

https://www.paulding.k12.ga.us/Page/42513 (Parent Info)

https://www.paulding.k12.ga.us/Page/36387 (Student Info)