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November 4, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardians of In-Person Instruction Students at North Paulding High School:

Unfortunately, we continue to see a concerning number of new COVID-19 cases in the NPHS community. Three weeks ago we saw eight new confirmed cases, two weeks ago we saw five new cases, and then this week (through today) we have seen eight new cases again. Increasing in-person instruction at this time would not be prudent. As a result, we are delaying the transition to more in-person instruction and will continue our current hybrid schedule until following Thanksgiving break (*see Attachment A*).

To increase instructional support for our students, Friday, November 13th and Friday, November 20th will be full Digital Instruction days. This includes students and staff following their in-person schedule virtually, as explained in **Attachment B**.

Beginning November 30th, our plan is to return to a four-day in-person instructional schedule as previously communicated. We plan to maintain this schedule for the remainder of the semester.

While this schedule change may be an inconvenience, we want to emphasize that the safety of our students and staff continues to be our highest priority. We encourage our NPHS community to continue following DPH guidelines for preventing the spread of COVID-19.

Sincerely,

Dr. Brian Otott
Superintendent

Gabe Carmona
Principal NPHS

REVISED TRANSITION SCHEDULE FOR NPHS

NOVEMBER 2020						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	CURRENT HYBRID SCHEDULE				DIGITAL INSTRUCTION	
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
	CURRENT HYBRID SCHEDULE				DIGITAL INSTRUCTION	
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
THANKSGIVING BREAK						
29	30					

DECEMBER 2020						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
	IN-PERSON INSTRUCTION				DIGITAL INSTRUCTION	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	IN-PERSON INSTRUCTION				DIGITAL INSTRUCTION	
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
	IN-PERSON INSTRUCTION				DIGITAL INSTRUCTION	
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
HOLIDAY BREAK						
27	28	29	30	31		
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Extended Closure

Digital Learning Days Parent Information**OVERVIEW**

For future extended school closures, we may pivot to "Digital Learning". Teachers will provide assignments via Canvas, our learning management system, for students to complete at home. Teachers will also hold live sessions, provide feedback, conference with students, and be available for questions through Canvas during normal work hours. The following are expectations for an extended closure.

DAILY ASSIGNMENT EXPECTATIONS**Kindergarten-5th Grade**

Monday- Thursday: a schedule involving ELA, Math, Science, and Social Studies

Friday: Students will complete work for specials as well as necessary small group/individual sessions with their teacher

6th-8th Grade

Mon/Tues: Math, Science, Connection A

Wed/Thurs: Social Studies, ELA, Connection B

Fri: Complete weeks assignments and participate in individual conferencing as needed.

Each day's work should be approx. 90 min/class

9th-12th Grade

Assignments in each of their classes, can shift to weekly assignments. Each day's work should be approx. 90 min/class

REQUIREMENTS

- All Digital Work will be housed in Canvas in clearly labeled modules.
- Teachers will assess learning and record grades as they would in a face to face classroom.

SYNCHRONOUS VS ASYNCHRONOUS

All students will be given synchronous and asynchronous opportunities in all classes. Teachers will communicate with their students when synchronous sessions are occurring and how students should access them.

DIGITAL ACCESS CONCERNS

- Parents can request a device from school.
- Students may download offline course content from Canvas.
- Local businesses and libraries may offer wi-fi in parking lots.

ELEMENTARY SPECIALS SCHEDULE

Each special will post one weekly activity for each grade level. These will be due each week on Friday.

NEED HELP?

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

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.

DAILY SCHEDULE

- Check with your child's teacher for details on how to connect with them through Canvas on the Digital Learning Day.
- K-5: Should adhere to the schedule followed by PVEA
- 6-8: School will develop a schedule for synchronous sessions.
- 9-12: Students and teachers will follow their face to face schedule.

Learn more at

<https://www.paulding.k12.ga.us/Page/36386>

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