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Paulding County Debuts Digital Learning Experience During Winter Break

Dallas, Ga. – Over Winter Break, Paulding County Schools will debut a “Digital Learning Day” via the online learning platform, Canvas.

“Due to the flexibility given to the school district through our Strategic Waivers, we are not required to make up all of the time our students have lost due to the various inclement weather events we have experienced this year,” said Superintendent Brian Otott. “However, we are responsible for providing students with the instruction they need. In addition to some adjustments to the calendar (these adjusted days have already been announced), we will use Winter Break, which has been designated as inclement weather days on the school calendar, to provide a Digital Learning Experience for our students.”

Students will be provided lessons via Canvas, an online content management learning system that the District has been phasing into its curriculum. The type of assignment, amount of instruction and time necessary to complete the work will depend on the student’s grade level.

“We believe Canvas is an excellent tool that provides interactivity and flexibility for our students to learn,” said Dr. Bonnie Cochran, Assistant Superintendent for Teaching and Learning. “By providing a digital learning experience, we can balance the instructional needs of our students with previously scheduled family activities.”

By providing this digital learning experience, we are not only providing our students with content lost to this year’s inclement weather, but we also are developing a response to manage future losses of instructional time.

“We realize some of our students might not have access to mobile learning devices, such as tablets or laptops, as well as reliable internet services,” said Otott. “Teachers have been instructed to provide assignments that can be completed online or handed in. Coursework assigned for the Digital Learning Experience won’t be due until March 2, 2018, so our students will have plenty of time to complete the work.”

For additional information, the district has established two webpages.

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