



School District of New London

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Families and Staff:

RE: New Instructional Model Guidelines

Beginning March 23, 2020--This is the latest on our SDNL plan for instruction during the statewide shutdown. We will remain flexible and keep you informed.

- We are working to develop a breakfast/lunch service program and routine, as well as pick up and/or drop off for additional materials if needed.
- We will **NOT** issue school report cards for the 3rd quarter.
- Teachers will hold virtual office hours for students and parents from 8:00-11:00 am and 12:00-3:00 pm. Contacting teachers with questions should be done via:
 - Teacher email (to find teacher emails, go to our website School District of New London, select your child's school, where you will find the Staff Directory).
 - Google Classroom, Google Meet, Google Hangout, Zoom, Class Dojo--teachers will be providing information to students and parents about using these interactive technologies.
 - If teachers are using an online platform (such as Google Classroom) to communicate with students, please post any new assignments by 9:00 am and weekly expectations by 9:00 am on Mondays.
- While teacher "office hours" will be from 8:00-11:00 am and 12:00-3:00 pm, we know that our amazing staff will be available for communication outside of these prescribed hours, just like they have always been, but during this time they may be offering online support, distance learning, correcting, planning or updating students. They may also offer group study sessions or classroom demonstrations.
- For a variety of reasons, not all learning will be done online. Teachers are preparing learning activities which will be part of an educational packet. Packets may be sent home or will be available for pick up or delivery based on the need (details to be shared at a later date).
- At this time, direct contact with a student is not allowed and services in our buildings are restricted.
- WiFi is NOT required for elementary students but strongly encouraged for students. We will continue to work on providing access to technology support in the coming weeks. If you do have WiFi concerns and have not already let us know, please use this [FORM](#). Support for broken chromebooks will be built in the future.

Please don't hesitate to contact the Pupil Services Office if you have any questions or concerns about support for your child during this time. This includes Nursing, counseling, special education, homelessness, bilingual, or any other student need. The Pupil Services Office number is (920) 982-8447.

*****Parents of Students who receive Special Education services*****

Whether your student receives special education academic services, occupational therapy, physical therapy or speech/language therapy--those needs will continue to be met during this time away from the school buildings. Your student's special education provider is sending home materials to be utilized by your student and completed interactively with your support. Please watch for these materials to arrive, or check your student's backpack as some of those materials came home as early as Friday. All of your child's providers are available via email and phone during this time frame.



School District of New London expectations for student time engaged in learning daily activities:

Grade Level	Resources	Guidelines for minutes	Grading TBD
Grades EC-4K	Packets Sent Home Anytime Learning List	Recommendations for keeping kids active and learning will be shared for parents, but there are no hourly “requirements.”	No grading
Grades K-4	Packets Sent Home Anytime Learning List iReady will be the most consistent manner to stay connected to what would have been offered traditionally, however, packets will help keep them connected when wifi is not available.	Recommend 2 hours daily; heavy focus on Reading, Writing, & Math and cross curricular connections. Packets sent were designed for more than the 2 weeks (2-3 sheets a day is reasonable if you also have other activities planned)	At this time, students should continue to do what they can to remain academically engaged. More details to be determined
Grades 5-8	Anytime Learning List Hybrid Instructional Model	Recommend 3 hours daily; 45 min in Math and ELA activities including daily practice and reading activities, with 20-30 min of activity in Social Studies and Science and options for enrichment and application of skills from encore courses.	Students will remain in their 3rd quarter encore courses until further notice and will not start any new classes.
High School Students	Direct contact with teacher: Phone, email, digital platform.	4 hours a day is the goal (30 min/course)	Credits will still be issued so essential targets will still be the focus and further guidance will need to be developed..
*** For all students with an Individual Education Plan, please know that our Special Education teachers will continue to work with our regular education teachers to provide the most effective accommodations as possible.			Regular communication with case managers will continue.

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