

Lewisburg Area School District

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

As you are aware, the Lewisburg Area School District is currently following the mandated closure of schools in accordance with Governor Tom Wolf and the Pennsylvania Department of Education. In an attempt to maintain a level of consistency in your child's educational programming, we will be providing continuity of education opportunities along with educational review and enrichment of concepts previously instructed.

The following steps are being taken beginning on Monday, March 30, 2020 and may be revised based on further information received from Governor Tom Wolf, PA Department of Education, US Department of Education, and the Board of Education.

Special Education services/programming and Gifted Education:

- IEPS/GIEPS will be completed in accordance with existing due dates. Your student's caseload manager will contact you to arrange a phone or virtual conference. With your permission, a draft IEP can be circulated by email prior to the phone conference. To the extent that these documents require revision upon school's reopening, they will be revised in a timely manner.
- Reevaluations will be completed, to the extent possible, in accordance with the current due dates. In the event that additional information is deemed necessary upon school's reopening, a Permission to Reevaluate to be issued in a timely manner.
- Initial Evaluation Reports will be completed within the current due dates. To the extent that a determination cannot be made with the existing information, a new Permission to Evaluate will be issued upon school's reopening.
- Existing Special Education Placements- students currently receiving services will return to their existing educational placement upon school's reopening.
- All Special Education students will be offered access to educational opportunities during the ongoing school closure. Information can be accessed via the District's website. Additionally, case

managers will contact parents/guardians to discuss any accommodations that may be needed for students to access these opportunities.

- Learning activities, including those for review, remediation, reinforcement, and/or enrichment on previously learned materials, will be by their homeroom and/or special education teacher. Students who attended out of District placements prior to the closure will receive additional information directly from those placements.
- Please direct questions regarding any learning activity provided through a virtual platform such as google classroom, Moodle, or blackboard to your student's classroom teacher, case manager, or building principal.
- All activities are 100% optional for students to complete. They will NOT be graded but may be submitted for teacher feedback and/or assistance.
- Caseload managers will be contacting you and your child to assist in answering general questions and navigating the website and educational tools available. Please know that the Lewisburg Area School District appreciates your patience and understanding during this unprecedented time. We are all in this together and we are learning as we move forward. If you need any assistance, please do not hesitate to ask. As noted above, your caseload managers are available to you and are waiting to assist you during this time. Also, please feel free to reach out to me for any general assistance or concerns that you may have and we will work through them together.

Kind regards,

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cc. Dr. Steven Skalka