

Martin County Elementary Online Learning Policy (2020-21)

This model is designed for families who would like to maintain their connection with their enrolled school and the school district but don't yet feel comfortable sending their student(s) back to school on August 26th. Students will attend school remotely via the online learning model (option #2).

Based on feedback after our (NTI) experience during the Spring of 2020, this learning model will incorporate many of the features that parents and students value, such as regular, virtual real-time interaction with teachers. Parents can rely on teachers to assist and guide online student learning.

Students will have opportunities for scheduled times, weekly virtual class meetings, and digital resources and assignments that can be completed at home. A percentage of the instructional time in this model will be self-paced instruction that fits the time scheduled needed for the family. However, attendance will be taken through the submission of on-time assignments and student engagement during lessons at specific times throughout the school day. Students who choose this online learning option will be expected to be online and engaged in the District's learning program Edgenuity.

This learning model provides families the flexibility to choose an instructional model to meet their needs during these uncertain times, and reflects our district's commitment to providing a high-quality instructional experience, no matter what the setting.

Advantages to Online Learning Option 2:

- Eliminates classroom or school exposure to COVID-19
- Student experience will be uninterrupted should schools close suddenly due to COVID-19 outbreak.
- Licensed courseware will ensure an improved and consistent student experience.
- Students can accelerate their learning.

Martin County's online learning program is a public-school choice, and students must participate in all required state assessments. They may also take part in extracurricular clubs and activities with their assigned school.

What to expect from Martin's online learning program:

- ✓ Students are at-home learning and will need access to the Internet
- ✓ Students will need access to a computer
- ✓ Instruction is provided virtually, and students will have access to a certified staff member during regular school hours for support

- ✓ Elementary students can expect a variety of independently paced learning activities and lessons with virtual face to face connections

Additional Supports for Students and Families:

- ✓ Virtual small group sessions to meet social and academic needs
- ✓ Access to troubleshooting and tech support
- ✓ Information on obtaining assistance for technology needs
- ✓ Tips and strategies to support students learning off-campus
- ✓ Support from teachers to meet student needs during regular school hours
- ✓ While many courses will be available through
- ✓ Students maintain their enrollment status at their brick and mortar schools.
- ✓ **Students attend school online during regular school hours and follow a standard school schedule.**
- ✓ Teachers meet with students utilizing web conferencing technology.
- ✓ Teacher-designed lessons using purchased courseware.
- ✓ Elementary students can return to their school at the end of each 9 weeks if they choose.

I have read, accepted the terms and agree for my child to participate in the Martin Elementary Online Learning Program!

Student Name

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date