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EMERGENCY SCHOOL CLOSING EDUCATION PLAN
PARENT LETTER

March 15, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The Upper Darby School District will continue to provide educational opportunities to your child while our schools are closed. We have developed a K-12 educational plan that will provide educational opportunities to students through our Learning Management System, Schoology. We understand that this is new, and we will reassess our progress using this technology each day. This document provides our plan for each grade level. Our teachers will be in communication with your student, providing feedback, assistance, and answering questions you may have. We are also providing a form for you to complete if you are in need of technology. We will be lending each family a chromebook for home use while our schools are

closed. More information on how you can borrow a chromebook and on internet access can be found later in this document.

Each family has access to Schoology, a Learning Management System (LMS,) which will allow educational opportunities to be shared with students and their parents. Our LMS will be used to provide our students with guidance, support and educational opportunities. Schoology can be accessed on any mobile device, tablet, or computer.

A link to Schoology can be found on our District website under the *Student* tab or by using the following link: <https://udsd.schoology.com/>.

These educational opportunities are not intended to replace instruction but provide access to assignments for students to keep up with work and continue to practice academic skills.

Students will be marked as present upon submission of each day's assignment(s).

Please see below for the Educational Opportunities Plan for specific grade levels:

Kindergarten Aged Students

- Kindergarten students have been provided with math and ELA practice packets.
- Kindergarten students will also have lessons assigned through Schoology.
- Instructional videos and teacher support for students will be provided as needed via Schoology by the homeroom teacher.

Grades 1 - 5 Aged Students

- Classroom teachers will communicate via the Schoology platform and email to support students and their families.
- Teachers had elementary students take home with them the following resources on Thursday, March 12. The following resources should be at home to assist with the lessons assigned through Schoology:

Elementary Resources for Home Instruction:

Grade	ELA	Math	SS/Science	Other
K	Instructional Packet	Standards Practice Book	N/A	Composition Book/paper Pencils Crayons
1	HMH MyBook 4	Textbook Standards Practice Book	Composition Book or paper	Composition Book/paper Pencils Crayons
2	HMH MyBook 4	Go Math Book Standards Practice Book	Composition Book or paper	Composition Book Pencils Crayons
3	HMH MyBook 2	Go Math Book Standards Practice Book	Composition Book or paper	Composition Book Pencils
4	My Book 2	Go Math Book Standards Practice Book	Composition Book or paper	Composition Book Pencils
5	My Book 2	Go Math Book Standards Practice Book	Composition Book or paper	Composition Book Pencils

Grades 6-8 Aged Students

- Classroom teachers will communicate via the Schoology platform and email to support students and their families.

Grades 9-12 Aged Students

- Classroom teachers will communicate via the Schoology platform and email to support students and their families.

Technology Support

- Any mobile device can access Schoology via <https://udsd.schoology.com/>.
- The District is also providing support to parents and students. Please email Familyschoologysupport@upperdarbysd.org

- An informational powerpoint can be found by clicking the following link:
[Directions to Access Online Instructional Materials](#)

Special Education

- Special Education case managers will be in contact with families directly to provide as much support as possible for individualized instruction, support and resources. We will consider holding IEP meetings and other related Special Education meetings virtually if we are permitted to do so. We are still interpreting the educational requirements from the Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) during this mandated school closure. We will provide educational resources and updates when more information becomes available.

How to Borrow a District Chromebook

Chromebook distribution will take place at Drexel Hill Middle School, Beverly Hills Middle, and Upper Darby High School between the hours of 9:00 AM - 3:00PM on Tuesday March, 17th, 2020 and 9:00AM and 12:00PM on Wednesday March 18, 2020 -

If a computer is needed for your household, please complete the information on the form in the following link: [UDSD Device Request](#)

If you are not able to complete the forms from home, you will be able to do so at one of the locations listed in this document.

Please find attached the ***UDSD Equipment Agreement***. Bring this completed document and **PHOTO ID** with you when picking up your child's borrowed device. **NOTE: Only parents/guardians listed as the primary in students' eSchool file will be permitted to pick up the device.** Parents/guardians are required to sign the UDSD Equipment Agreement to borrow a device. Students will not be permitted to sign the agreement or to pick up a device. It is the expectation that the device be returned to the District in accordance with the agreement. Please see the table below for device pick-up locations and hours.

UDSD Chromebook Pick-Up Locations

Locations	Upper Darby High School, Board Room 601 N Lansdowne Ave, Drexel Hill PA Drexel Hill Middle Schools
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	3001 State Rd, Upper Darby PA Beverly Hills Middle Schools 1400 Garrett Rd, Upper Darby PA
Date and time	March 17, 2020 from 9:00AM-3:00PM March 18, 2020 from 9:00AM-12:00PM

Free Internet Access

Several organizations are providing free internet access and/or special provisions to support families as a response to the Coronavirus/COVID-19 school closings. These resources will be added to our website's Coronavirus/COVID-19 webpage under Resources.