

Parents:

In an attempt to assist you in making decisions regarding virtual school or in class learning, I will try to clear up some questions that have been posed by parents on the school Facebook page. I think some parents want to know how it will look if your child goes virtual school instead of in school learning as well as those wanting to know what in school learning might look like more specifically. I hope this helps.

- Students who choose virtual will be assigned to the following teachers for each grade for virtual instruction:
Kindergarten- Ms. Luke will teach ELA and Ms. Jessica Babin will teach Math and Social Living
First Grade- Ms. Tai Holacka will teach Math and Social Living and Ms. Heidi Pitre will teach ELA
Second Grade- Ms. Cassidy Dryden will teach all subjects
- All virtual students will receive video lessons in ELA on one day with assignments and then Math and Social Living video lessons on the next day with assignments. This will continue from Monday thru Thursday with a Google Meeting for students with their virtual teacher on Fridays at a scheduled time as determined by a survey to virtual parents on the best time during school hours to have the Google meeting. If a student or parent is unable to make the Google meeting on Friday then there will be office hours during the week where a student/parent can pose questions or ask for help. The video lessons are provided by certified educators- the teachers listed above. These lessons will include the same curriculum that the in school students will be taught from CKLA for ELA and Eureka Math and Social Studies Weekly and Mystery Science. The virtual students can complete their work anytime that designated day, but they must log in and complete their videos and assignments that day to count for their attendance and grades. There will be a Google form to submit for attendance. So parents you have the flexibility to work with your students as it fits into your work schedule and sitter schedule. There will be a total of 5 lessons in each subject given in a two week period.
- All students will be given a chrome book and any workbook materials that will be needed to complete work at home. We are awaiting the arrival of our student chrome books at school, and we are hoping to have a pick up time for the computers and supplies as well as for students and parents to meet the teacher for all students virtual and in school by August 7 to be ready to begin with virtual and Hybrid A/B learning. We will be posting information on our Facebook page and school website as soon as we have a schedule for everyone to pick up these supplies at varying times to allow for social distancing. Please make it a routine to check either the Bayou Blue Facebook page or Bayou Blue School Website for the most up to date information.
- Students will be given feedback by their virtual teachers on assignments submitted daily. Parents will have access to email the virtual teachers to ask questions and get help anytime they need it, and the teachers will respond to emails daily within the working hours of the school day.
- All testing for virtual students will be done online. We will have information forthcoming on the details, but students will be able to take their tests in all subjects online.
- Virtual students will be able to pick up lunches for the first two weeks of school at 9:30-10:00 a.m. at the gate by the cafeteria and continuing on August 24 they can get both breakfast and lunch at that same above time daily. All students at our school have Free lunch.
- Virtual students will be allowed to participate in any extracurricular activities.

- Virtual students do not have to wear a uniform but there will be guidelines sent by the virtual teachers on appropriate attire for virtual meetings.
- Virtual students will have access to all school based computer programs (Smarty Ants, Zearn, Imagine Learning).
- Virtual students will also receive French lessons and any interventions they receive during regular in school instruction. This includes Special Education and 504 services.
- Students who come to school on A/B Hybrid will receive in class instruction on the day they attend receiving all the curriculum needed for the grade level in each subject, and then on the day they are at home, they will have virtual learning that they are required to log on to complete to count for their attendance for that day just like the full time virtual learners. There will be a Google form to be submitted on their at home day to count their attendance. The at home work can be completed when most convenient for parents but must be completed by the end of their at home day. Then they will return to school the next day for new instruction. The in school students will still go to lunch following 6 feet apart safety protocol, have a play time outside by class also following safety protocol, and they will also have enrichment time while teachers have planning provided by French teachers and enrichment teachers.
- If I have failed to answer your questions in this post, you can email me at tguidry@mylpsd.com or call the school at 879-4378 or private message on our Facebook. We will do the best we can to answer your questions to help make your decision about virtual or in school learning. Please make sure to fill out the form for that decision by this Saturday August 1, 2020.