

September 10, 2020

[Información para padres](#)

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Thank you for your patience while waiting for information about this coming school year. As you can imagine, we are planning for every eventuality. Teachers and teaching assistants are learning new technology platforms so we can streamline your at-home learning experience.

This email contains extensive information for all grade levels. I've attached a video of me speaking the same information if you prefer to listen rather than read.

INSTRUCTION:

1. Your classroom teachers will be sending an email to all families by the end of the day tomorrow introducing themselves and providing specific information for each class.
2. Hybrid and Virtual Learning begins on **Monday, September 14th**. **If you chose hybrid and have a last name beginning with A-L, we will see you in person on Monday. If you chose hybrid and your last name begins with M-Z, we will see you Thursday. All virtual students will see their teacher on Wednesday.** An At-home learning plan will be posted to our [GW Miller Home Learning Website](#) this Sunday evening for students to follow the week of September 14th. I will send out a tutorial for this over the weekend.
3. Students will all zoom with their teachers at a scheduled time on Wednesday, September 16th. Teachers will tell their students and families this information in their email tomorrow.
4. **Live-zoom streaming lessons will begin the week of September 21st.** Again, each teacher schedule will dictate what time those live-zoom lessons will take place. It is very important to **arrive into the LIVE-STREAM waiting room 5-7 minutes before the lesson** begins. While teachers are getting comfortable with this technology, they may not be able to check the waiting room for late arrivals after the lesson has started.
5. As our teachers at George Miller get familiar with the learning management system called SeeSaw, we will be training parents as well. This is a very child friendly platform and our goal is to have our students be able to navigate it independently. Eventually!
6. Here is a copy of what a daily schedule will look like for each grade level. In order to accommodate our support staff (special education, ENL, remedial services) these times may change for some classes. Your teacher will be sending you an individualized copy of what your specific class will look like. [Class Schedule examples](#)

CHROMEBOOKS:

1. If you were given a Chromebook this week and are a Kindergarten student, you were given a username and password on a green card in the front pocket of the carrying sleeve. Here are [Log On Instructions](#).

2. If you are a returning 1st and 2nd grade student, you have your password and username from last year. If you are NEW to the district, please email your classroom teacher for this information.
3. If you did not pick up your chromebook, your child will receive it when they come to school. If you are 100% virtual, you may email mgriffin@nanuetd.org to arrange an appointment.

PROCEDURES:

1. Arrival and dismissal procedures have been posted on the Miller Homepage. Click here for a [link](#).
2. If you are sending in payment via check for lunch orders, it MUST be in a sealed envelope labeled with your child's full name, and class code.
3. Velcro shoes are strongly recommended this year. Alternatively, please teach your children how to tie their shoes. Of course, we will continue to help them when needed.
4. Water fountains are only being used to refill reusable water bottles. Please consider sending your child with a reusable water bottle.

As we navigate this school year together, I implore you to find patience with our teachers, yourselves, and your children. This is all new to all of us. Let us remember to treat each other with kindness and generosity especially in times of frustration.

Ms. Leahy and I are here if you have any questions and concerns. We are so excited to see our little Knights in person and virtually next week!

Be well,
All the best,

Maryellen Griffin
Principal