

Maple Valley

Distance Learning Information, March 23, 2020

Here We Go!

As per the order of Governor Burgum, Maple Valley Public School students will not return to the building until further notice. All Maple Valley buildings and properties are closed. Today we begin with our portion of the educational plan. Students and parents should have had some interaction/communication with teachers today. If for some reason you had technical difficulties or did not hear from a teacher, please contact your respective principal.

Here's what everyone needs to know as we continue our new online journey!

TECHNOLOGY

Technology hot line:
frank.egan@k12.nd.us

BREAKFAST & LUNCH

Breakfast and lunch are being provided for those who have signed up. If you have any questions, please call the school between 8:00-3:00 at (701) 749-2570. You may also click the link provided below to sign up. All the breakfast and lunch information is also on our school website

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeGyuZblEtXNE_tTY6vR-4Jal67qDsSqVOvZdzL-OnLhkBDfA/viewform

SPECIFIC EVENT INFO

- Quarter 3 – Grades were stored last Thursday. Monday, March 23 begins the 4th quarter.
- High school registration for the 2020-2021 will begin with students registering online with guidance from Mrs. Kaspari in the near future.
- Prom scheduled for April 4th is postponed until further notice.
- All activities and extracurriculars are postponed until further notice.

COUNSELOR

Contact: Mrs. Julie Kaspari
julie.kaspari@k12.nd.us

Our School Counselor is available to:

- Support students, school staff, and parents in helping our children
- Provide a calming influence on students as needed
- Help students address their fears

MAPLE VALLEY EDUCATIONAL PLAN PRE-K-6

Our teachers know and understand that an online learning environment for PK-6 is unique and more challenging than for our older students. We know students are more reliant on an adult to help facilitate their learning, and the platform is not as independent. While students should be successful in navigating the content, the technology may be the trickiest aspect for most as some of these platforms have not been used by students in this manner. We have fantastic teachers that are aware of these concerns and will help you navigate through this new and trying time. They will continue to be working to make sure this set up and the environment is streamlined. Just as the COVID-19 situation is fluid, we know that this method will continue to be fluid as we continue to learn what is best for our students.

** Give teachers, students and yourself grace and flexibility as we all navigate this current situation.

Teacher Expectations

- Teachers will be working online preparing and planning from 8:10 am-3:50 pm during school calendar days.
- Each teacher has devoted a time frame to be able to interact with students through various platforms. Individual teachers will be communication with you on those specific times. Between 9:00am-11:00am and again from 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm teachers will be available to answer any questions via phone, email, or any other platform that has been set up.
- Teachers will be sending out information Wednesday, March 18th, that may include daily or a weekly set of activities.
- Teachers who teach an alternative core curriculum in reading and/or math will be providing learning materials to those students.
- Our teachers are amazing and have been rock stars!

Student Expectations

- Students are asked to connect through activities your teacher has planned.
- Activities should not take more than an hour and a half each day.
- **Completion and Engagement = Attendance** Teachers will be tracking attendance by hearing from you and by students turning in expected assignments.

Parent Expectations

- **Be patient.** We are ALL navigating a new school environment.
- This set-up is not meant to recreate a full school day but meant to continue some learning in an alternative method.
- Find a space in your home where learning can take place.
- Find a time each day that you, a caregiver, an older sibling can help facilitate this learning with your PK-6 student.
- Make sure the necessary platforms are set up and working on the device(s) your student will be using.
- Share the posts, videos, and messages sent from your students' teacher.
- Initial instruction in the next week will be review and information students have already learned. If we continue this platform long term, teachers will start moving to new skills that they will be teaching through this flipped learning environment.
- Communication is key- if something isn't working email your teacher, request a phone call, or send them a message on the platform that has been outlined and set up!

GRADES 7-12

Teachers will be directly in contact with students in grades 7-12 and will use primarily **Edmodo** as their connection point. Instructions will be posted in their respective Edmodo classes. To avoid content overload as students and teachers learn to navigate a fully online classroom, teachers will be communicating with students throughout the week.

** Please remember to give all teachers, students and parents grace and flexibility as we navigate this current situation together. **

How to Prepare for Online Learning

- 1) Prepare a learning workspace in your home that you can focus on learning and have all your supplies near. This includes your textbooks, school supplies, and computer.
- 2) Log into Office 365. This is your K12 email. You will be utilizing this platform for email, OneDrive, and TEAMS – maybe more.
- 3) Log into Edmodo and ensure you have access to your classes? If not email your teacher and ask for the code.
- 4) Make sure you are a part of your grade level's news group as this is where announcements will be posted.
- 5) Teachers will be connecting with students via several platforms, but Edmodo will be the primary instrument.

Teacher Online Learning Expectations

- Teachers will be working online preparing and planning their classes from 8:10 AM - 3:50 PM Monday through Friday.
- Each teacher has devoted a 3-hour time frame to be available to interact with your child(ren) in real-time **9:00 am-11:00 am** and again from **1:00 pm-2:00 pm**. During this time, teachers will be available to answer questions and check in on students.
- Teachers will update PowerSchool weekly. Keep in mind we will have fewer physical grades due to the online platform and therefore each assignment will have an impact on your final grade.
- Give students and parents grace and flexibility as we all navigate this current situation.

Student Expectations

- Students in grades 7-12 should expect to spend about **2-3 hours** every school day working on their course work. These times are flexible but will depend upon your teachers' scheduled activities.
- **Completion and Engagement = Attendance** Teachers will be tracking your attendance by hearing from you and by you turning in expected assignments. **Just like regular school – online school is NOT optional.**
- Communication is key- if something isn't working email your teacher, request a phone call, or send them a message on Edmodo!
- Use technology appropriately. Your search history is logged. The websites you visit are logged. Inappropriate language is logged. Concerns of your use of the school-issued device will be tracked, parent contact will be made, and continued violations will have consequences.
- Give teachers and yourself grace and flexibility as we all navigate this current situation.

Parent Expectations

- Don't assume – ask! Have your child show you their learning platform, their assignments, and have them explain what is expected of them for their different classes. This will help you understand their successes, their frustrations, and help you know they are keeping up with the pace and the content of the classes
- Monitor your child's technology. Although we are still monitoring our security filter, we are counting on parents to set parameters for student's technology use. **It is OK to have you child turn in his/her device at night, to only work on the computer at a set time and to work in a common area to ensure they are being smart digital citizens.**
- Give teachers and your child(ren) grace and flexibility as we all navigate this current situation.



North Dakota Department of Health

Keep informed with the latest information on COVID-19 at the ND Department of Health's website: <https://www.health.nd.gov>

Some resources you may find of interest are:

- COVID-19 Cases in North Dakota
- Resources for the Public
- Resources for Childcare and Schools



Center for Disease Control and Prevention

Keep informed with the latest information on COVID-19 at the Center for Disease Control and Prevention website: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>