



Carroll County School System
School Closure Digital Learning Day Plan
March 10, 2020 Update

After two consecutive days of school closing, Carroll County Schools will implement digital learning days. A Digital Learning Day will be used as a replacement day(s) rather than adding additional day(s) at the end of the school year.

Guidance for decision-making is received from Georgia Emergency Management and Homeland Security, National Weather Service, Georgia Department of Health and local government agencies.

School closures will be communicated to Carroll County families using the following methods:

- District-wide email
- Text and phone messages (To ensure your phone number is up to date, please visit the [Infinite Campus Parent Portal](#) and click on *Update My Contact Information*.)
- District website
- Social media
- Local media outlets

How will a Digital Learning Day work?

If school is closed more than two days, you will receive notification by email and text from the district sharing that your child's teachers will post assignments and instructions online. On Digital Learning Days, teachers will post lessons, instructional videos, assignments and enrichment activities by 9:00 AM on the digital learning day on the teacher's website. Each teacher's website is found on each school's website and can be accessed from the district website using the following web address: www.carrollcountyschools.com. Next, select your child's school, click "about" and select "staff directory".

How do parents get help or ask questions on Digital Learning Days?

Teachers are available via email and prepared to provide support to parents.

How will the teacher provide instruction on a Digital Learning Day?

Teachers will develop academic experiences which are grade level appropriate, meet state curriculum standards and a continuation of classroom instruction.

Pre-K, kindergarten and first grade students will have digital learning activities and/or hands-on activities. Many of our older Carroll County students are already engaged in a variety of digital platforms for classes using Google classroom.



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Assignments may require only basic household materials and should not require a printer.

How will special education teachers, English Language Learner (ELL) teachers, Early Intervention program (EIP) teachers and gifted teachers provide instruction?

These teachers will work with grade level teams to ensure support is provided for students through accommodations, alternate assignments and/or individualized digital resources. Other special education services will be rescheduled or delivered on a student by student basis.

How will physical education, art, music, STEM and other electives provide instruction during a Digital Learning Day?

For *elementary school*, these teachers will provide optional activities for students and activities will be placed on each teacher's website. For *middle school and high school*, students will need to check with his or her elective teacher by using the teacher's website for classroom assignments.

How long will a Digital Learning Day last?

Grade level teams will work together to ensure assignment requirements meet the times below.

Elementary: combined, required assignments should be a maximum of two hours.

Middle: combined, required assignments should be a maximum of three hours.

High: combined, required assignments should be a maximum of four hours.

How will students turn in assignments?

Teachers will communicate if assignments should be turned in via Google classroom or on paper when the student returns to school.

Will students be penalized if they cannot complete the work?

Teachers will make attempts to identify families who need access to non-digital assignments during Digital Learning Days and be proactive with providing instructional materials. Each teacher will work with students and families to provide alternate assignments that do not require technology. Teachers will not penalize students who do not have access to the Internet or a digital learning device to complete assigned work. Teachers will follow up with students who do not submit their work to find out how the school can assist. Assignments will be due within one week of returning to school and teachers will follow his/her grading practices.



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Will this be our practice moving forward?

Distance digital learning is new and Carroll County will continue to evaluate to determine what methods work best to support our students and our community. We reserve the right to discontinue or make changes to this practice, if necessary. In summary, we are excited about this opportunity to expose students to distance digital learning and allow families to continue to provide educational services to their child(ren).