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VIRTUAL LEARNING UPDATE

We have had a premier start to the school year, and the district continues to focus on the health and safety of its students and staff as a top priority. Since August 24, CCSS has had less than 1% of positive COVID-19 cases each week. Our schools are doing a great job of following enhanced safety protocols. To learn more about our enhanced safety measures, you may [click here](#).

As we near the completion of the first semester on December 18, 2020 and begin the second semester, we would like to share some important information about changes to our Virtual Learning Option. Please read this entire document, so you can make the best decision for your child.

Traditional In-person Instruction

Having students back on our campuses provides them with the best opportunities for academic success, social emotional wellness, and extracurricular involvement. We look forward to your Virtual Learning student returning to campus when you feel it is best for them.

- Students currently enrolled in Virtual Learning who plan to return to In-Person instruction for the second semester may do so by completing the [Return to School Form](#) by November 20.

Virtual Learning

We recognize that some families may still be uncertain of returning to school, and CCSS will offer a modified Virtual Learning option. The enrollment window for the second semester of Virtual Learning is November 9-20, and Virtual Learning classes will begin on January 7th.

Here are the changes for the Spring Semester:

- Students enrolled in Virtual Learning for the second semester may only opt to return to In-person instruction on designated days outlined [here](#).
- Because many of our students are choosing to return to In-Person instruction, your child may have different teachers for the second semester, as some of our Virtual Learning educators will return to the traditional classroom settings full-time.
- High School Virtual Learning Instruction will be modified to include more use of Edgenuity and Georgia Virtual School platforms.
- Virtual students may attend College and Career Academy classes In-Person only and by providing their own transportation.

Action Required

Please follow these registration steps below:

- To return to the traditional, In-Person instruction from Virtual Learning, complete the Return to School Form located [here](#) by November 20th.
- To remain in Virtual Learning, no action is required at this time - a new schedule will be posted in Infinite Campus portal on January 4th. Please check [here](#) for your child's new schedule and/or teacher(s).

Assessments

Assessment is a critical element of teaching and learning, both in-person and virtually. CCSS teachers assess how students are doing through daily assignments and quizzes, as well as common assessments and our STAR assessment which both measure students' growth and learning.

Georgia Department of Education state-required testing is scheduled for Spring 2021, and all CCSS students will be required to come on campus for testing. This includes: GKIDS, Georgia Alternate Assessments, and the Georgia Milestones End of Grade and End of Course tests.

Grading

Carroll County teachers provide instruction and learning activities for students to receive feedback and earn grades, following the district's course curriculum. CCSS expects all assignments to be completed and submitted in a timely manner as defined by the teacher. Assignments turned in late may be subject to a late penalty or a zero. You may sign-up for the [Infinite Campus Parent Portal](#) to access your child's grades. For questions regarding your child's grades, please contact their teacher.

Distance Learning

Distance Learning is a short-term digital learning model that will continue to be used on a case by case basis for specific students, classrooms, or school closures. More information about Distance Learning and how it may be used is located [here](#). Parent resources for Distance Learning periods are located [here](#).

We appreciate your continued support and partnership. If you have questions, please contact your child's school.