



DETROIT COMMUNITY SCHOOLS DISTRICT INSTRUCTION DURING COVID-19 CLOSURE

Tuesday, March 17, 2020

As the District is closed in response to COVID-19, we are committed to continuing to support your students' learning. The District offers a number of ways for students to engage in learning even while they are away from school.

The recommended activities below **will not take the place of regular classroom instruction but will supplement student learning at home**. Assignments will not be required or graded. These activities are meant to provide opportunities for student learning while they are absent from school. These activities may be accessed beginning Wednesday, March 18, 2020. We encourage families to continue student learning at home.

ONLINE LEARNING:

Grades K-8

Students in grades K-8 will engage in online modules in the areas of ELA and math. This will be done through [Khan Academy](#) and [MobyMax](#). All classroom teachers have set up online classrooms for their students where they can log in and complete the online modules. Each module contains:

- a video where important skills and concepts are taught, step by step
- practice questions
- assessment options
- reinforcement of the skill through games

K-8 Math Instruction and Practice and 2-8 ELA Instruction and Practice can be accessed at khanacademy.org/signup. Join as a **“Learner”** and enter the class code. Students in grades 7 and 8 will also be assigned modules in science and history.

K-1 ELA Instruction and Practice can be accessed at moby.com/signin. Sign in as a **“student”**. Type “Detroit Community Schools” in as your school and choose the “Elementary” school. Then, enter the username and password.

All student usernames, passwords and school codes will be given to you by your child/ren’s classroom teacher. Please expect a phone call, text or other means of communication they have previously set up for you to receive this information.

Additional Online Sites for K-8 Students

- Starfall.com
- PBSkids.org
- Abcya.com
- Funbrain.com
- Readwritethink.org
- Readworks.org
- Commonlit.org
- K-5learning.com
- Progno.com
- Factmaster.com
- Multiplication.com
- iXL.com (will allow you limited free access)

Grades 9-12

Teachers in Grades 9-12 will use Google.net for additional support. Individual teachers may choose to require assignments to be graded. Teachers will be in contact with their students in the coming days.

Internet Help

Comcast is offering an Internet Essentials Package for free internet for 60 days. To take advantage of this offer please contact comcast at 855-846-8376 or www.internetessentials.com.

Consider setting a schedule for your student

We recommend providing structure for your student. This way they can stay as consistent as possible with having a normal academic routine until they return to school. At school, students get used to their days following a certain structure. Communicating to your child that they will have a structure to follow for the next several weeks will set expectations and set everyone up to make the most of the time school is closed.

If you have any further questions or concerns please don't hesitate to contact teachers, principals and instructional coaches via school email which can be found on the DCS website.

Sincerely,

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