

Oasis Middle School

Virtual Instruction Information & OMS Family FAQ's

When will virtual instruction begin for my students?

Monday, March 30th, 2020. Teachers should have activities and assignments posted by 8 a.m.

How to find information?

Mr. Hopper has posted many details on our OMS website -

<https://oasismiddleschool.net/news?ID=C9D7FEC6-CC47-415D-BCE8-B9871E58D8E7>

Teachers will be posting lots of information in each of their Google Classrooms.

Does my child have to participate in virtual learning?

Yes. The 4th quarter has begun, and all learning will take place online. All students will be asked to “check in” with their teachers by Thursday, 12:00 p.m. at the latest. Administration will be reaching out to families whose children do not check in by Thursday. Posted assignments need to be completed. These assignments will be graded. Those grades will be entered into Focus and will be captured on your child’s report card.

How will my student access his/her courses?

Students will use their Chromebook, or any computer or tablet on which they can log into Google Drive, to access classes. Students must have access to the internet to access these courses.* If they are missing a class and need the code, students or parents should go to the webpage listed above.

**Homes without internet access can contact a local internet provider (Comcast/Xfinity) to determine if there is free internet available. Students can also use phones as hotspots, this will affect your data usage.*

Comcast/Xfinity has also been providing lists of local hotspots where students can access free WiFi, along with instructions of how to do so. Please check their website. This is the resource shared with us... <https://www.internetessentials.com/covid19>

How can families create an environment for learning?

Students should have a quiet place with few distractions: turn off the tv, silence and put the cell phone in a different room. A table or desk located in a quiet place so that work can be spread out is ideal. Students should also be dressed appropriately for school - not in a uniform, but definitely in school-appropriate clothes when attending video chat sessions with teachers.

Monday – Friday, we would suggest students are out of bed by 8:00 a.m. This will give them time to get dressed and have breakfast before beginning work at 9:00 a.m. Students should be engaged in Zoom meetings and posted assignments until at least 1:00 p.m.

When are assignments due?

All work is due by Sunday at 11 p.m. of the week it is assigned. Students with IEPs or 504s allowing for extended time will still receive it. Their assignments will be due by Tuesday at 11 p.m.

When will teachers be available? How will my student, or I, ask questions?

Teachers will be online (near their computer) between 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. daily. Also, all teachers will have two Zoom meetings each week. Students may send an email if they have a question; teachers should respond within 24 hours. All students have an oasishs.org email to communicate with teachers. Families are welcome to send an email or ask questions, please use the teachers’ capecharterschools.org email address.

What happens when my student has a technology related issue?

Students that have hardware issues with their school-issued Chromebooks should contact Assistant Principal Brianne Romano. If there is a connectivity issue that affects the submission of an assignment, the student must notify the teacher immediately (use email).

Will my student be expected to be online for any video chats at a designated time?

We strongly encourage students to participate in their teacher’s Zoom meetings. While we can’t make the Zoom meetings mandatory, we highly encourage students to attend. Teacher online sessions will be recorded, and teachers will attempt to upload these to their Classroom.

What about classes that aren't typical "online" classes like PE, art, dance, etc.?

These classes will still have assignments. Students may need to do physical activity at home and document that activity. Students may need to create something for art at home and then submit a picture. The possibilities are endless, but students CAN expect to have assignments in ALL classes.

When will grades be posted?

Grades will be posted in Focus weekly. Grades for assignments from the previous week should be posted by Wednesday.

Has State testing been cancelled?

All State End of Course exams (Civics, Algebra) and the FSA ELA and Math tests have been cancelled. Once we have more information about the Algebra EOC, we will let you know. I would expect students may have to take the EOC in the Fall.

Who do I contact for help?**Counselor Questions - mental health concerns/support**

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