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VAN VLECK INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Van Vleck ISD Published Procedure for Canceling Remote Learning for Individual Students

Given certain parent concerns about the health and safety of the Leopard family during the COVID-19 crisis during the 1st semester, VVISD offered remote instruction consistent with the requirements of the Texas Education Agency (TEA). VVISD ensured our families had access to **remote instruction until VVISD determined that the student's attendance and/or academic performance in one or more classes puts them at significant risk of severe learning loss**, as outlined in the criteria below. In these cases, VVISD contacted the student's parent(s), provided opportunity for appeal for medical or other reasons, and held a meeting (in-person or virtual) if required by the appeal. After these steps were concluded, the campus ultimately discontinued remote learning as an option for a student not meeting learning or attendance expectations, while continuing it for other students who are successful in Remote Learning and have a medical condition/concern.

VVISD identified those remote students to be discontinued for remote instruction if one or both of the following are true in any class:

- Student has a class average of below a 70% (or the equivalent)
- Student has 5 or more unexcused absences

Effective January 11, 2021, VVISD will discontinue remote learning and require all students to continue at VVISD in face-to-face learning. This document will serve as notice to parents of remote students. Parents may appeal this decision in one of two ways:

- Submitting a medical exemption. VVISD will provide an opportunity for parents to email this exemption request to the campus principal, along with medical authorization.
- Requesting a transition meeting. If the parent requests a transition meeting, VVISD will schedule the meeting with no less than 3 days' notice, and will allow the student to continue to learn remotely until the meeting has been held.

If the parent does not appeal or if, at the conclusion of the transition meeting, VVISD does not conclude with the parent that the student can be successful learning from home, **VVISD will require the student to transition to on-campus learning.

As a reminder, parents can choose for their students to transition to on-campus instruction at any time (subject to a local restriction, if implemented, to align with grading periods, as described elsewhere in this document).

TEC, §25.092, requires students to attend at least 90% of the course in order to obtain credit. This applies to individual course subjects at the secondary level, and to all grade levels at the primary level.

- 1. Students who cannot meet this requirement while enrolled in school will/may be required to repeat the grade and/or subject the following year.
- 2. Truancy laws still apply to students enrolled in school but who are not attending (either remotely or in person).
- 3. Students who ultimately fail to earn a passing grade for a course (or an entire grade level) will/may be required to repeat the course (or grade level).

Sincerely,

John R. O'Brien

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