




Alternative Methods of Instruction (AMI) Application

Status: **Approved**

 Mountain View School District (6901000)

School Year 2022-2023

Applications will be reviewed in the order received. Incomplete applications will be returned to the district.
A notification letter will be sent to the superintendent at the email address listed above upon approval by the Arkansas State Board of Education.
NOTE: The approved application must then be posted on the district website - State Required Information.

District:	
LEA #:	6901000
Superintendent:	Charles Howard
Email:	brenth@mvschools.net
Phone:	(870) 269-3443
Duration Requested (not to exceed three years):	1 Year (School year 2022-2023 to 2022-2023)



AMI (Alternate Method of Instruction)

As per Arkansas Code Annotated Â§ 6-10-127 a district may apply for up to 10 days of AMI for the use of alternative methods of instruction, including [remote] learning, on days when the district is closed due to exceptional or emergency circumstances such as:

- contagious disease outbreak
- inclement weather
- other acts of God
- utility outage

Number of AMI days requested by the district. 10
(Please note that all AMI days utilized must be noted in eSchool. Sporting events, funerals, other school events, lack of substitutes, or lack of bus drivers do not qualify as exceptional circumstances.)

Provide a description of the AMI assignments and materials used at each school within the district to effectively facilitate teaching and support learning for the benefit of the students. Please include information if the district will utilize technology-based assignments or paper packets. (AMI packets must be available on-line or have been sent home prior to the designation of an AMI day)



The district provides each student with a Chromebook and hotspot for those that do not have internet access. Through a community partnership with Yelcot Communications, internet hubs have been strategically placed throughout rural Stone County and Mountain View so that students will have internet access as close to their homes as possible. The AMI days will be virtual learning. Students will log in to Clever to access their Google Classrooms as well as other technology platforms to maximize student learning such as HMH Into Math, IXL, Moby Max, and Renaissance MyOn Virtual Library. Students in the Mountain View School District are taught how to use the technology starting the first week of school so that when we are required to teach and learn away from the school buildings it is a seamless transition. Teachers will provide clear instructions regarding the outcomes of lessons to be completed.

Go Guardian, Google Meet, and Zoom will be tools that teachers can use to continue lessons with students on an AMI day.

Therapists will send information home with students as well as contact information for students to do teletherapy based on the individual education plan.

Students who have access to the internet at home or those who can access the internet from a campus parking lot or other hot spot in the district in the event of disease outbreak, inclement weather, other acts of God, power outage etc...Teachers can Zoom each class period and students will utilize Google Classroom to complete assignments.

If some students do not have internet access, all work can be downloaded to the devices of the students who don't have access to the internet. Those students will be able to access the material offline, complete the assignments and upload them upon returning to school.

Teachers will also send home contact information prior to an AMI day so that they may reach out to students in case of a power outage. Paper packets are another option for extended power outages.



Describe how student attendance will be determined for an approved AMI day. (All attendance should be determined and reported in eSchool within 5 days of the AMI day.) May include a link (URL) to the attendance policy for digital learning students if applicable to all students during AMI days.

Student attendance on AMI days will be determined by completing the attendance form which is part of their Google Classroom as well as complete the assigned work. Students will be counted absent if they do not complete their assignments. Students will be given a grace period of two (2) days to complete assignments based on extenuating circumstances on a case-by-case situation. All attendance will be entered into e-school within five (5) days of the AMI day.

Describe how the district will ensure implementation of Individual Education Programs (IEPs) for students with disabilities on AMI days. Include how the district will involve the special education teacher in the provision of special education services during the AMI day to meet the individual needs of each student.

Special education teachers will work closely with students, parents, and general education teachers to see that each student's IEP is followed on an AMI day. Assignments will be on Google Classroom for the students to complete and SPED teachers will make themselves available online during the day to help students as needed. Any modification or accommodation used regularly in a school day will be continued on an AMI day. Special education teachers will use digital learning programs on a weekly basis at school so that students know how to utilize the technology on an AMI day. SPED Teachers will send home contact information prior to an AMI day so that they can help as needed in the event of a power outage. Paper packets are another option for extended power outages.

Describe how accommodations and related services will be provided.

Students who receive accommodations and related services will continue to receive services on AMI days through Zoom, Google Meet, or other teletherapy methods. If for some reason the service is not met completely, it will be made available when we return to school from the AMI day. All accommodations will be provided virtually as well as on campus.

Please include the link (URL) to the webpage or social media where information will be posted to announce the date of the AMI day and reason for utilizing the AMI day - (this should match the AMI dates entered into eSchool). (Example: December 1 will be an AMI day due to inclement weather)

School Website-<https://www.mountainviewschooldistrict.k12.ar.us/>
All AMI day information will be posted on the MVSD website along with building Livefeed, Twitter, Facebook, and local radio/TV stations.