

PIONEER PLEASANT VALE COVID-19 FAQ'S

Will schools be required to make-up the days?

No. School buildings will not re-open this school year. Instead, students will learn at home, in accordance with State Department of Education and CDC guidelines.

Will Pioneer Pleasant Vale provide instruction to students?

Pioneer Pleasant Vale teachers will use these next few weeks to work through the framework provided by the state to develop appropriate curriculum for their students. This process and framework will guide us through the next phase of instruction, which the state Department of Education is calling a “continuous learning plan.” During this phase, students will have the opportunity to learn through online and home-based activities.

When will my students' at-home instruction begin?

By directive from the State Department of Education, no teachers are allowed to be in school buildings until April 6th. At that time, teachers will be asked to return at individual times to begin the process of building the curriculum for their students for the remainder of the school year. Some teachers will be able to push out materials faster than others based on previous activities and content. Therefore, students and parents can begin to see content as soon as April 6th but more will be added as the week progresses.

What about my students lunch fees or credits?

If your student currently owes money for their lunches, you can go to our district website, www.ppv.k12.ok.us under the MENU tab - FOR PARENTS/GRADE BOOK PORTAL or mail a check to your students school and settle those accounts. If you have a credit balance, the district will carry over your credit balance to next year.

What can we do for our students during this time at home?

On our website, you can find links to free online resources for your students under the MENU tab – CORONAVIRUS/ONLINE LEARNING RESOURCES. The district will add more as we receive them.

What if I need to pick up my child's medication from school?

Medication can be picked up at each school site between 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Monday, March 30. Please have your ID available to show school officials. If you are unable to pick up medication on this day, please email your child's principal to make arrangements to do so. The staff directory can be found at www.ppv.k12.ok.us

Will there be any extracurricular activities through the end of the year?

Unfortunately, no. It is not safe at this time for the public or participants to gather together for such events.

Will the school closure impact graduation and other end-of-year activities?

These events will have to be postponed, canceled or honored in non-traditional ways. For our seniors and their parents, we know this is an especially difficult time. We will do everything possible to ensure the hard work of our graduates is recognized and celebrated. This is an unfair situation, but please reassure the senior in your life that it does not diminish their achievements. We will communicate more about this topic as soon as information is available.

What if my child has an IEP meeting scheduled during the next two weeks?

Pioneer Pleasant Vale is working to schedule telephone or virtual IEP meetings for the convenience and safety of parents and staff. We will get in touch with you soon if you have an upcoming meeting. Because this is an unprecedented change for public schools, we are waiting for additional guidance from state and federal officials regarding other aspects of special education services.

What is a continuous learning plan?

A continuous learning plan is the phrase selected by the state Department of Education to describe the remote education experience students will have now through the end of the school year. All learning will take place at home, either through online learning or home-based activities. Even though we will not be at school together, Pioneer Pleasant Vale Schools will still focus on relationship with students through other nontraditional avenues.

What if we don't have a computer or internet access in our home?

Pioneer Pleasant Vale is working the State Department of Education to provide more access to students. We will be attempting to determine what homes have access to internet and which ones are limited or without. Once that determination is made, Pioneer Pleasant Vale Schools will implement a plan that will work for all learners, regardless of connectivity.

Will seniors have the credits necessary to graduate?

One of our most important roles as educators is to ensure students have the skills and knowledge to promote or graduate at the end of each year. Students who were on track to graduate or promote prior to the COVID-19 closure will not be negatively impacted by the State Board of Education's decision to move to a home-based learning program.

Will students be required to take state tests this year?

No. Waivers have been approved at the federal level to eliminate state tests this school year.

Will students participate in concurrent college courses or classes at Autry Technology Center during the school closure?

Northern Oklahoma has moved all instruction online. Students should check their NOC email accounts for more information from college officials. Autry Technology Center classes are canceled until at least April 6, perhaps longer.

How can I best prevent the spread of COVID-19?

The CDC recommends the following healthy best practices to prevent the spread of both COVID-19 and the flu:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- Use alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol if soap and water are not available.
- Avoid close contact with those who are sick.
- Cover your coughs and sneezes with a tissue or your sleeve.
- Avoid touching your eyes, mouth and nose.
- Disinfect frequently touched surfaces and objects.
- Stay home whenever possible.
- When you must leave your home, practice social distancing with at least six feet of distance between you and others.

Additional information is available by visiting the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.