

Johnson-Brock Public Schools
Continuous Learning Plan
Spring 2020

Introduction

Johnson-Brock Public Schools is committed to supporting students, families, and staff. This Continuous Learning Plan is intended to assist staff, students, and families in providing for the meaningful continuation of learning for the duration of the school closure. We understand that this experience is going to be very different for your child, so we will do our best to assist you in any way possible. Implementation of this plan will require collaboration and communication among staff, students, and families. It is understood that families may face a variety of challenges and that all groups will need to work toward strong communication and problem-solving.

This Continuous Learning Plan will be implemented beginning **Wednesday, April 1, 2020**. Johnson-Brock teachers will begin sending materials home and communicating with families the week of March 30, 2020. We suggest you choose a time that works best for you and your child to work through the learning materials. Learning materials will vary by teacher but will include weekly activities and instructions that each student should follow. The educational focus is on concepts important to your students' education.

We understand staff, students, and families will be working through varying challenges throughout the school closure. This plan should act as a guide; but we recognize flexibility may be necessary. Please proactively communicate to best meet the needs of students.

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Throughout the closure, teachers will be sharing information and materials with students and parents on a weekly basis.

PreK-6

In grades PreK-6, grades will not be taken for the materials provided. However, it is expected that students will complete the assigned activities.

Grades 7-12

At the 7-12 grade level, materials being provided to students will not be mandatory to submit for a grade but students will receive a "responsibility grade" for completing assigned tasks. In other words, assignments will be graded based upon completion. The responsibility grade will consist of two parts: (1) Students are expected to communicate with their teacher; and (2) completion of the assigned tasks.

Responsibility grades will be entered in as 4th quarter grades. As has been done in the past, the 4th quarter grade will be averaged with the 3rd quarter grade for the semester grade that is placed on the transcript.

At this point, materials provided to students cover the most important standards and key concepts that students are expected to know. Delivery of material may be through online programs such as Zoom, Google Classroom, or e-mail. Paper materials and/or packets may also be sent home.

We understand that families may have limited internet and/or data service. In some instances, several students may be sharing one device. Therefore, Johnson-Brock teachers will be utilizing the following as recommended time commitments for each class/grade level:

- PreK 30 minutes
- Grades K-1 45 minutes
- Grades 2-3 60 minutes
- Grades 4-6 90 minutes
- Grades 7-12 30 minutes per teacher (3 hours max per day)

**These are simply guidelines to help teachers, students, and families plan. Teachers may find that they may have to scale back or provide more material as time moves forward. Patience from all stakeholders will be important as we navigate through new territory.*

School Materials

On Monday, March 30 and Tuesday, March 31, classroom teachers will gather materials that students will need to complete classroom assignments. Materials may include paper packets, textbooks, and technology devices. Students served through IDEA will receive appropriate accommodations per their Individual Educational Plan (IEP). If you have questions regarding a student's IEP, please contact Mrs. Borcher or Mr. Ideus. For grades 7-12, textbooks/notebooks/Chromebooks will be removed from lockers and prepared for students.

Chromebooks

Chromebooks will be sent home for all students in grades 4-12 who desire to take them. Families must sign the Chromebook agreement form before the Chromebook will leave the school. This will be available to families. If you prefer to not take a Chromebook because you have other means of accessing the internet, that is fine.

Materials Pick-Up

From 6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 1, school staff will be available to allow for families to come pick up materials. Parents only (no students) are asked to come to the school at some point throughout the day to pick up materials for the entire family. At this time, the Chromebook agreement form can be signed. Parents should come to the main entrance where school staff will be waiting. When you arrive, staff will grab your family's materials out of the old gym and bring it to you. Parents will not be allowed past the front entrance. If you are unable to make it in on April 1, please contact the school office and other arrangements can be made.

At this time, the closure will extend through May 1. We do understand that it is likely closure will be extended for the rest of the school year. Due to the fact that the decision has not been made to close school at this time, we will NOT be sending all items home with students. For instance, school supplies, PE shoes, etc. will stay in the school building. If the decision is made to cancel school for the remainder

of the year, a date will be established for parents to return school supplies (books, technology, etc.) and pick up their child(ren)'s remaining supplies.

Summary of Plan

- Teachers will provide learning materials to students on a weekly basis (Electronic or Paper)
 - Assignments will not receive a grade but it is expected work will be completed and turned in.
 - Students in grades 7-12 will receive a responsibility grade.
- Teachers/Students/Families should communicate at a minimum once per week
 - Students will be given a "Responsibility Grade" for communication and completing teacher expectations.
- Families should arrange to pick up learning materials/supplies on April 1 between the hours of 6:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.
 - If you are unable to make it in on April 1, please contact the school office and other arrangements can be made.
- School is currently closed through May 1, 2020.
 - It is likely the closure will be extended further. Additional information will be provided if that happens

Future Events

We understand that there are several questions regarding events such as prom, graduation, driver's education, etc. At this time, decisions on those events have yet to be made.

Johnson-Brock Public Schools would like to thank everyone for their continued patience and understanding during this time. If you have any questions/concerns/comments please feel free to contact classroom teachers or administration.

Thank you!

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