

Lacey Township School District

Emergency Virtual/Remote Instruction Programs

In April 2020, Governor Murphy issued an executive order that became P.L.2020, c.27. This law provides for the continuity of instruction in the event of a public-health related district closure so that LEAs can utilize virtual or remote instruction to satisfy the 180-day requirement pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:7F-9. This plan would be implemented during a district closure lasting more than three consecutive school days due to a declared state of emergency, declared public health emergency, or a directive by the appropriate health agency or officer to institute a public health-related closure. A day of virtual or remote instruction, if instituted under a plan approved by the Commissioner of Education, is considered the equivalent of a full day of school attendance for the purposes of meeting State and local graduation requirements, awarding of course credit, and such other matters as determined by the Commissioner of Education.

Remote Instruction

The following Virtual or Remote Instruction Plan will be available to students who are required to stay home due to a public-health related closure. These remote protocols can be initiated either through the school nurse, school principal or district administrative staff. The Ocean County Department of Health will be consulted on whether there is the need for school or district closures.

Structure

As outlined in the guidance from the New Jersey Department of Education, “A student participating in the board’s Full-Time Remote-Only Instruction option must be afforded the same quality and scope of instruction and other educational services as any other student otherwise participating in district programs (e.g. students participating in a hybrid model).” Remote instruction components include virtual live check-in sessions paired with student activities, pre-recorded instruction, and will use the platforms of Google Classroom, Canvas, and Google Meets.

Technology

The Lacey Township School District relies heavily on technology for its Virtual or Remote Instruction Plan. The district maintains a 1 to 1 Chromebook program for all of its students. Students in grades 7-12 are provided a Chromebook that they travel back and forth between schools and home daily. Students in grades K-6 will be provided a Chromebook to take home should virtual or remote instruction be required by the school.

Broadband Access

Families who need access to reliable broadband services will consult with the Lacey Township School District's Technology Department who will assess the need for broadband services. The school district has invested in hotspots that can be issued to students and families that require better connectivity during periods of virtual or remote instruction due to buildings and/or district closures.

Virtual or Remote Instruction

Grades K-6

- Classroom Chromebook will either be sent home or be available for pickup in the school's main office.
- Instruction will include daily, required interactive Google Meet lessons.
- Remote instruction will follow the same school schedule as if the student were still in school. Instruction will be delivered for a minimum of 4 hours with attendance required.
- Lessons will be interactive and follow the same daily class schedule.
- Virtual or Remote Instruction will be delivered by Lacey Township School District teachers.

Grades 7-12

- Middle school and High School students travel with their school issued Chromebooks.
- Instruction will include daily, required interactive Google Meet lessons.
- Remote instruction will follow the same school schedule as if the student were still in school. Instruction will be delivered for a minimum of 4 hours with attendance required.
- Lessons will be interactive and follow the same daily class schedule.
- Virtual or Remote Instruction will be delivered by Lacey Township School district teachers.

Meal Delivery

Students who are learning remotely either due to school or district closure will be able to pick up meals through a pick-up window in the school's front entrance. For the 2021-2022 school year all students are categorized as "Free" and will be provided both Breakfast and Lunch meals through a pick-up window in the school's front entrance. Lacey Township School District Food Services will communicate with families for food options, and pick up times and locations.

Grades 9-12 - Sample Instructional Time Blocks (Full-Time Remote-Only Instruction)

Time Frame (approx)	Lesson Components	Platform
15 minutes	Attendance Lesson Goals & Objectives Rapport Building Activity(s)	Log into classroom via Google Meet
30 minutes	Online Assignment/ activity	Pre-recorded videos and instruction located in Canvas Learning Platform
15 minutes	Interactive summary and closure	Summary activity located in Canvas, live discussion board, Google Meet with entire class
75 minutes	Extended Instructional Period	Live Google Meet Interactive lessons.

Grades 7-8 - Sample Instructional Time Blocks (Full-Time Remote-Only Instruction)

Time Frame	Lesson Components	Platform
15 minutes	Attendance Lesson Goals & Objectives Rapport Building Activity(s)	Log into classroom via Google Meet
30 minutes	Online Assignment/ activity	Pre-recorded videos and instruction located in Google Classroom Learning Platform
15 minutes	Interactive summary and closure	Summary activity located in Google Classroom, live discussion board, Google Meet with entire class
75 minutes	Extended Instructional Period	Live Google Meet Interactive lessons.

Grades 5-6 - Sample Instructional Time Blocks (Full-Time Remote-Only Instruction) ~ ELA/Math

Time Frame	Lesson Component	Platform
5-10 minutes	Attendance Setting goals/objectives for the lesson Warm Up/Do Now	Log into classroom via Google Meet
10-15 minutes	Direct Instruction	Pre-recorded videos and instruction located in Google Classroom Learning Platform
35-40 minutes	Workshop Model: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small Group Instruction • Independent Practice • Skills Centers • Remediation/Enrichment 	Activities outlined on Google Classroom
20 minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interactive Lesson Closure • Assessment/Exit Ticket 	Activities outlined on Google Classroom

Grades 5-6 ~ Sample Instructional Time Blocks (Full-Time Remote-Only Instruction) ~Science/Social Studies/Special (approximately 30 minutes)

Time Frame	Lesson Component	Platform
2-3 minutes	Attendance Setting goals/objectives for the lesson Warm Up/Do Now	Log into classroom via Google Meet
25 minutes	Instruction Activity Student Assessment	Pre-recorded lesson and activities outlined on Google Classroom
2-3 minutes	Interactive Lesson Closure Assessment/Exit Ticket	Activities outlined on Google Classroom

Grades K-4 ~ Sample Instructional Time Blocks (A/B and Full-Time Remote-Only Instruction) ~ ELA and Math

Time Frame	In-Person Learning Cohort	Remote-Only Instruction Cohort
10 minutes	Attendance and SEL Morning Meeting	Log into Google Meet for attendance and rapport building activities for all students
10-20 minutes	Direct Instruction and Mini Lesson	Pre-recorded videos and instruction in Google Classroom Learning Platform
15-30 minutes	Workshop Model (Daily 5): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small Group Instruction • Independent Practice • Skills Centers • Remediation/Enrichment 	Discussion boards Independent Practice BSI Small Group Google Meet
10-20 minutes	Review, Clarification and Reinforcement	Pearson support videos Additional content area resources

Science / Social Studies / Special Instructional Areas

Time Frame	In-Person Learning Cohort	Remote-Only Instruction Cohort
5 minutes	Attendance Setting goals/objectives for the lesson	Google Classroom Introductory video
20 minutes	Instruction Activity	Pre-recorded lesson Content Area Resources Google Classroom
5 minutes	Interactive Lesson Closure Student Assessment	Discussion boards Google Classroom