

Dear BCS Parents,

We want your children to advance their scholarship during this time of Teacher Directed Home Learning. Please read the following information as we work together for the good of our BCS family and students in our care. Your positive mindset and calm approach to this unique time will influence and bless your child(ren). Connect with other parents and remember, your child still has a teacher you should connect with and lean on throughout this time.

Administrative Schedule and Expectations for this Week

Monday, March 16

- Send one or two extra bags or boxes to school with your child(ren) so that we can send home all books and supplies needed during this time of distance learning
- Expect and plan for a longer than normal dismissal process at the end of the day as we load a few extra items into each car (let's be patient and work together)
- School Office Hours 7:30am-6:00pm (with full aftercare)

Tuesday, March 17

- By today, you should have received a list of assignments and learning for your students from your teachers.
- During this time of distance learning, we will focus on advancing core knowledge in the following key areas
 - Grade PK: Learning Packets Sent Home
 - Grades K-2: Reading, Writing, and Math
 - Grades 3-6: Reading, Writing, Math, and Latin
 - Grades 7-8: Literature, Math, History, Science, and Latin
 - Grades 9-12: Literature, Math, History, Science, and Foreign Languages
- School Office Hours 7:30am-4:00pm

Wednesday, March 18

- K-12 teachers of P.E., Art, Music, Logic, Bible, and other classes have posted assignments or challenges in RenWeb to encourage students to continue learning and growing in these areas. Keep checking these areas in RenWeb throughout the distance learning process.
- School Office Hours 7:30am-4:00pm

Thursday, March 19

- Depending on age/grade, check with your child(ren) to make sure they are on track to finish all schoolwork for the week
- School Office Hours 7:30am-4:00pm

Friday, March 20

- All graded assignments are due to teachers by 4:00pm today
- Check your email for assignments from teachers for next week
- School Office Hours 7:30am-12:00pm (our office staff needs some time to check on their children)

Five Reminders and Tips for Effective K-12 Distance Learning

1. RenWeb is IMPORTANT to know and use (contact the office if you need help)

- Use RenWeb Online and delete your APP
- The APP is no longer supported and is missing important information that you will only find when using RenWeb Online
- Update personal and student email and other info for best communication

2. Create an Environment to Learn

- Select a clean place to study each day (Table, Desk, etc.)
- Dress for Success (get out of pajamas and get dressed to learn)

3. Create a Daily Schedule and Follow it

- Select and Set a Start Time (maybe 8:30am)
- Select and Set an End Time (maybe 2:00pm)
- Sleep Schedule
 - Going to bed at a good time will be important
 - Students should wake up early and get started
- Schedule breaks and times to restart
 - Schedule an hour for lunch (maybe kids can learn to cook at this time)
 - Schedule/require outdoor time for a walk, run, bike ride, or play

4. Eliminate Distractions

- Ban the use of electronic distractions (gaming, podcasts, etc.) during the school day
- Consider having siblings study in separate rooms

5. Have Fun and Create Good Memories

- Be flexible with your schedule when needed
- Cook, garden, play football, or read together if you have free time

Bonus Tip: Let students struggle to “figure out” instructions and resist the temptation to make things “easy” on them.

This will be one of the many benefits from this unique time of learning that will be an important skill for later in life.

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