

Northwest Community Schools COVID- Closure Action Plan



2020-2021

KIDDER MIDDLE SCHOOL

Dear KMS Families,

Northwest Community Schools has worked hard during this unique and challenging time to create an engaging learning plan for all of our students, both face to face and virtual. Due to the increase in Covid-19 cases state and county wide, we feel it necessary to share our emergency learning plans in the event we are forced to go virtual for **ALL** students. These plans would be implemented based on where we are in our trimester calendar and how long the district and health department deem virtual learning necessary.

The plans are listed below and important elements of these plans are detailed in the following pages of this document:

- Short Term Virtual Plan (less than 14 days)
- First Trimester Extended Virtual Plan (two or more weeks)
- Second Trimester Extended Virtual Plan (two or more weeks)

Additionally, we will be piloting a new **ATTENDANCE POLICY** that started on 11-5-2020. This pilot program is being implemented in our 6th grade and a few 7th/8th grade classes. This will help create a sense of routine and structure. During the first trimester of the 20-21 school year, Northwest Kidder Middle School teachers gave students the opportunity and time to become acclimated to the virtual learning environment for those that chose the Mountie Virtual Program. Check-ins were conducted twice weekly with MVP students, allowing them the flexibility to complete assignments at their own pace. However, as the year has progressed, it has become increasingly evident that routine and structure fosters student engagement and success. Therefore, we will be implementing a process for taking daily attendance. Please see the details below:

Student Expectations for Virtual Daily Attendance: (2nd Trimester If Virtual)

- ALL students **MUST** log into a daily Zoom call during the first 15 minutes of each class period to be marked present, this includes our MVP students when F2F learning resumes. Zoom links will be posted by each teacher in Schoology. 6th grade zoom times are as follows.
- Monday/Thursday 1st Period 8:00 a.m. 2nd Period 10 a.m. 3rd Period 12:30 p.m.
- Tuesday/Friday 4th Period 8:00 a.m. 5th Period 10 a.m. 6th Period 12:30 p.m.
- Students will be marked absent if they do not log into the Zoom Meeting within the first 15 minutes of class.

Short Term Virtual Schedule

Complete each period of work using the Course Page in Schoology. Work from the folder titled with the current date, and do all in the folder. Watch all videos and read all directions. Attend scheduled Zoom meetings when offered.

Schedule

Students and Staff will follow the Kidder Middle School block schedule.

- Monday/Thursday Periods 1-2-3.
- Wednesday- All Classes
- Tuesday/Friday Periods 4-5-6.

Monday/Thursday	Tuesday/Friday
1st Period 8:00 a.m.-9:45 a.m.	4th Period 8:00 a.m.-9:45 a.m.
15 Minute Break	15 Minute Break
2nd Period 10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.	5th Period 10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.
15 Minute Break	15 Minute Break
3rd Period 12:30 p.m.-2:00 p.m.	6th Period 12:30 p.m.-2:00 p.m.
Review The Day 2:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.	Review The Day 2:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.
Make sure all your assignments are submitted for grading. If you have any questions, send them to your teacher.	Make sure all your assignments are submitted for grading. If you have any questions, send them to your teacher.

Wednesday

8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Go through periods 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th. Complete the day's assignments. After completion, go back through and check that all assignments were submitted. Attend scheduled class Zoom's as assigned.

Helpful Tips Before You Start Your Day

Set up a comfortable work space where you can sit up and focus. Have paper, writing tools and water as needed. Make sure your device is charged and you have your charger as needed. Sign into Schoology to check your email and Schoology messages. Go to Advisory slides to review information and activities to help get your day off to a successful start.

VIRTUAL LEARNING: PBIS EXPECTATIONS

CLICK [HERE](#) TO VIEW OUR PBIS VIRTUAL LEARNING EXPECTATIONS.

Student Code of Conduct still applies to those attending classes via any remote or online platform to provide continuous learning opportunities. If a student's remote learning conduct disrupts the educational process for themselves and/or others there will be other options explored for individual continued learning. (Ex. Hardcopy and/or deactivating school-district technology)

VIRTUAL LEARNING: ACADEMIC EXPECTATIONS

- Students will login to Schoology to access their Attendance Zoom link for each class period that day.
 - Students will continue their learning via Schoology and communicate with their teacher as needed.
 - Students are expected to read directions fully. This may include watching a video created by their teacher with specific directions for the task/assignment.
 - Students will complete online lessons and daily assignments per due date of the teacher. If due dates are a concern, students should email or Schoology message their teacher before the due date to receive an extension.
 - Students are expected to respond to all teacher communication, including Advisory communication.
 - Students must check school emails and Schoology messages often, preferably multiple times a day.
- *Students are expected to take their devices and chargers home daily.

SUPPORT

Educational Resource Support

- Following the decision to go virtual, the school will coordinate a “materials pickup” for students to get items they will need for the extended virtual learning days (novels, text books, art supplies, instruments, longer belongings, etc.).

Technology Support

- The Technology Department has technology support available for students on district devices, including hot spots.
- The [NWCS Technology Student Help Ticket](#) is available on the front page of our website as well as the mobile app.

Guidance Support

- Counselor Mr. Blume: Doug.Blume@nwschools.org
- Counselor Mrs. Holbrook Jessica.Holbrook@nwschools.org
- Students with an IEP - Mrs. DeRamus: Lauren.Deramus@nwschools.org
- Students with a 504 Plan: Molly Beer: Molly.Beer@nwschools.org
- At-Risk Coordinator - Rock Soles: Rock.Soles@nwschools.org

Principal Contact

Principal Dan Brooks: Daniel.Brooks@nwschools.org
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