



SECONDARY VIRTUAL CONNECTION

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Virtual Families,

Over the first two months of school we have received lots of feedback from families, students and virtual teachers surrounding the 100% virtual program. At the administrative level, we appreciate the constructive feedback and please know that you have been heard. Some of the feedback we received has been around technology issues, Canvas consistency, grading/reporting and “class sizes.” Administratively we are in the process of working through these system issues in collaboration with our teachers and specialists at the district level.

Remember, this is a unique time for all families and school districts alike. The educational system has revamped the fundamental way children are taught, so have patience as the problems are worked out. We will need to work together and trust each other to provide an educational system that is best for all students. Continued communication between all stakeholders is essential to attain this goal.

To help strengthen this partnership please remember to sign up for the family/teacher conferences through Microsoft Bookings. Information about the sign-up process has been shared by your child(ren)’s teacher. Please contact your child(ren)’s teacher if you have any questions.

Family/Teacher Conference Dates:

- November 17 (3:15-7:15) – Middle School
- November 19 (3:15-7:15) – High School
- November 23 (7:30-4:00) – Middle and High School

Thanks for your continued support,

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UPCOMING EVENTS

November 17: Schools Open - Middle School FT Conferences (Virtually) 3:15-7:15

November 19: Schools Open – High School FT Conferences (Virtually) 3:15-7:15

November 23: Schools Closed – All Levels FT Conferences (Virtually)

November 24-27: All Schools Closed; Thanksgiving Break

SCHOOL LINKS

<http://www.ecasd.us/DeLong-Middle-School/Home>

<https://www.ecasd.us/Northstar-Middle-School/>

<https://www.ecasd.us/South-Middle-School/Home>

<https://www.ecasd.us/Memorial-High-School/>

<https://www.ecasd.us/North-High-School/Home>

IMPORTANT CONTACTS & RESOURCES

Virtual Learning Contacts: <https://www.ecasd.us/District/COVID-19/COVID-19-Virtual-Learning>

Technology Support/Resources: <https://www.ecasd.us/District/COVID-19/Tech-Support-and-Resources>

High School Student Services – Canvas page <https://ecasd.instructure.com/courses/34369>

Schedule for Virtual Pick-up Materials

Delong Material Pick-Up:

Cohort C students will be able to pick up materials Friday, November 6, from 6:30-11:00 am and 1:00-5:00 pm at door 1. Teachers will inform their students if they have materials to pick up. Multiple items will be bagged and clearly marked with the student name in the door 1 lobby. Cohort C families may drop off library books and textbooks on materials pick up days. These should be placed in the labeled bins.

Cohort C students may request books to be picked up on scheduled pickup days: Nov. 6, 20; Dec. 4. See your school's library website for instructions. Those are also the days to return books you have finished. Email Mrs. Nord at mnord@ecasd.us with questions and happy reading!

Northstar Material Pick-Up:

Cohort C students will be able to pick up materials on these Fridays: Nov 6, Nov 20, Dec 4, from 6:30-11:00 am and 1:00-5:00 pm at door 1. Teachers will inform their students if they have materials to pick up. Items will be bagged and/or clearly marked with the student name on tables within the door 1 lobby. Cohort C families may drop off library books and textbooks on materials pick up days. These should be placed in the labeled bins.

Cohort C students may also request books to be picked up on scheduled pickup days: Nov. 6, 20; Dec. 4. See your school's library website for instructions. Those are also the days to return books you have finished. Email Mrs. Nord at mnord@ecasd.us with questions and happy reading!

South Material Pick-Up:

Cohort C students will be able to pick up materials Friday, Nov 6, from 6:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m. and 1:00-5:00 p.m. at door 1. Teachers will inform their students if they have materials to pick up. Multiple items will be bagged and clearly marked with the student name in the attendance office.

Cohort C families may drop off library books and textbooks on material pick up days. Place in labeled blue bin just inside the attendance office door.

Cohort C students may also request books to be picked up on scheduled pickup days: Nov. 6, 20; Dec. 4. See your school's library website for instructions. Those are also the days to return books you have finished. Email Mrs. Nord at mnord@ecasd.us with questions and happy reading!

MHS:

The next 100% Virtual/Cohort C pickup will be from 2-4PM on FRIDAY, 11/06, be outside of door 15 (the main entrance/attendance office). Pull up to the door and someone will come out. Students should send requests no later than 12 noon on TUESDAY 11/03 to kroffers@ecasd.us. Your teachers will post the title of any book, workbook, or other materials you need to pick up that week in Canvas. Nothing posted, nothing to pick up. You will only get a response if there's a question. Study Sync workbooks do not need an e-mail. Please pick up previous requests or they will be checked back in. See you next Friday!

NHS:

The next 100% Virtual/Cohort C pickup will be from 2-4PM on FRIDAY, 11/06, outside door #7, back of the school off of Mercury Avenue. Students should send requests no later than 12 noon on TUESDAY, 11/03, to rbruchert@ecasd.us. Your teachers will post the title of any book, workbook, or other materials you need to pick up that week in Canvas. Nothing posted, nothing to pick up. You will only get a response if there's a question. Study Sync workbooks do not need an e-mail. Please pick up previous requests or they will be checked back in. See you next Friday!

Future Pickup Dates:

E-mail request by:

For pickup on:

Tuesday, November 17

Tuesday, December 01

Tuesday, December 15

Friday, November 20

Friday, December 4

Friday, December 18

As the weather changes, so will the instructions for pickup.

Make the Most of Virtual Learning

1

STAY ACTIVE PARTICIPATE & SOCIALIZE

Learning virtually can sometimes feel lonely. Actively participate in class by listening, engaging, and asking questions and you will feel more connected to your teachers and peers.

2

PREPARE FOR SUCCESS CREATE A SCHEDULE

Virtual learning isn't just about the time you're logged into class. Planning and scheduling your time outside of class is just as important! Create a schedule, communicate goals and challenges, and stay focused to keep on track.

3

BUILD GOOD HABITS TRY SOMETHING NEW

Virtual learning is often about finding what works for you. Try new ways of organizing your space, taking notes, and keeping a schedule so you can learn what does and doesn't work. Once you find a habit that helps, stick with it!

4

MANAGE BOUNDARIES SET GOALS & TAKE BREAKS

School time is your time to focus on learning. Set safe and healthy boundaries so you can focus on your classes during the school day. Find a space free of distraction, take breaks when appropriate, and limit screen time outside of class to avoid burnout.

DON'T STRESS!

**Learning virtually can be tricky, but we are here to help.
Reach out to us if you need support.**



ECASD SCHOOL MEALS

Free breakfast and lunch can be picked up at the following locations Monday – Friday, 8:30am – 9:30am:

- Delong (Parking lot entry from Moholt Drive – Door #7 in the back)
- Northstar (Parking lot entry from Abbe Hill Drive - Door #5 on the right side)
- South (Parking lot entry from Mitscher Ave – Door #7 facing Mitscher Ave)
- Memorial (Pull-up at Keith St. -- Door #4 facing Keith Street)
- North (Parking lot entry from Piedmont Street – Door #1 under the Husky)

Pick up areas will be outside each school listed above and will be served in a “grab and go” fashion.