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Chapter 27 Emergency Virtual or Remote Instruction Programs for the 2021-2022 School Year

The primary purpose of this document is to 1) reaffirm the State's requirement that all students should return to the classroom for a full day of instruction absent specific medical necessity, and 2) facilitate that goal by creating an emergency virtual or remote instruction program for the 2021-2022 school year.

As per current New Jersey state requirements, Rock Brook School has established the following plan to ensure continuity of instruction in the event of a declared emergency resulting in school closures lasting more than three consecutive days due to a declared state of emergency, declared a public health emergency or a directive by the appropriate health agency or officer to institute a public health-related closure. Based on guidance, one day of virtual/remote instruction will be considered the equivalent of a full day of school attendance.

Implementation of Emergency Remote and Virtual Instructional Models:

FULLY REMOTE Digital Distance Learning Plan (DDL) MODEL: RBS will implement a fully remote instructional model. In this model, families and students will participate in full-time remote learning via the RBS DDL. The DDL Model virtual school day will be from 8:30-3:00 daily (Monday-Friday). Instructional time may be delivered synchronous or asynchronous.

Instruction - All Learners:

- All special education services will continue to be delivered to the fullest extent possible in accordance with current student IEPs.
- Related services (PT/OT/Speech/Counseling) and specials (physical education, art, and music) will be provided remotely.
- Teaching assistants and 1:1 paraprofessionals will provide services for students remotely.
- Online social/emotional supports will be provided for all parents/families, as needed, by our school counselor.
- Specific supports for families and students related to executive functioning skills and navigating remote learning will be provided as needed.

Digital Access/Technology - All Learners:

- All students will have a dedicated, working device.
- An internet-capable device will be distributed to all students as needed.
- Laptops have already been purchased and distributed to all professional staff.
- Students will receive direct instruction on virtual classroom norms, procedures, and etiquette as well as good digital citizenship practices.
- Assignments will be provided in the Google Classroom centralized platform.
- Google Meets will continue to be utilized for remote instruction.
- Families will receive detailed information on navigating Google Meets and Google Classroom assignments.
- Attendance will be taken when students/families log in to Google Classroom each day.
- Between existing devices and newly purchased devices, we actually have a 2:1 ratio of devices to students. Any student requiring connectivity will be provided with internet access or a hotspot.

Impact of Remote Instruction on the School Lunch Program

- School Lunch-Rock Brook School currently does not participate in the school lunch program, students are required to bring their own lunch from home.

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The plan is board approved and attested by the Chief School Administrator.