Indianapolis Public Schools has implemented a districtwide Home Learning Plan to be used during school closures due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

These frequently asked questions are a quick way for students and parents to learn about the plan for IPS high school students. For a more detailed explanation of the Home Learning Plan, please reference the Home Learning Plan Guidance for Grade 9–12 Students & Families.

**What is the IPS Home Learning Plan?**
The Home Learning Plan is a hybrid education approach to ensure continuous learning during the COVID-19 school closures. For our students across grade bands, IPS is accommodating the differences amongst K–8 and high school campuses, given the variances in technology integration and curricular programs.

**What is the Home Learning Plan for high school students?**
For IPS high school students, the Home Learning Plan utilizes the e-learning platform that allows students to access resources and materials, but also get the instruction, feedback and conversation that are critical for sustaining learning over longer periods of time.

**What device will my student need for Home Learning?**
Students need a computer, laptop or tablet with a keyboard, and internet access.

**If my child doesn’t have a computer, how can they get one?**
If you indicated in the recent Student Technology & Accessibility Survey that your student is in need of a device, an IPS staff member will contact you.

**If my child doesn’t have internet access, how will my student participate in e-learning?**
Several internet companies are offering free access to Wi-Fi hot spots for public use during the COVID-19 pandemic. Companies providing this offer include, Comcast/Xfinity, Charter Communications (Spectrum) and AT&T. Questions about free access to these hot spots can be found on the company websites.

If you need additional help with internet access for your student, contact the IPS Service Center at 317.226.4000.

**What is the Home Learning schedule?**
The first two days of Home Learning are Thursday, April 9 and Friday, April 10. Beginning April 14, Home Learning Days are scheduled for Tuesday–Thursday each week.
What Home Learning platforms will my student use?
For Core Materials, students will use Edmentum, Schoology and Google Classroom. For Supplemental Materials, students will use Khan Academy, EVERFI, Gizmos, Duolingo, and additional teacher-selected resources.

How will attendance be taken?
Based on the Governor’s announcement on April 2, IPS is reviewing its attendance policy for Home Learning. We will provide specific communication as soon as we can. Students are expected to engage in the instructional materials as directed by their school.

How will students receive their assignments?
Students will receive their assignments through one of the online platforms designated by individual schools.

Are assignments expected to be turned in daily?
This will vary by course. Teachers will make their expectations clear.

How will grades be calculated?
High school grades will be issued based on current grades. Work completed during the Home Learning period (during COVID-19 closures) should NOT negatively impact a student’s record or grade. The work completed during this time may be used to improve the student’s grade.

Will students be required to take quizzes, tests and final exams?
This will vary by course. Expectations will be provided to students by teachers.

How will my child interact with their teachers?
Students will interact with teachers and additional school support staff — including counselors, social workers, graduation coaches, special education teachers, and ESL staff — via e-learning platforms and/or IPS email.

What if my child has an IEP or 504?
To the greatest extent possible, we will work to implement your child’s IEP/504. All instruction will be aligned to academic standards and skills, with a continued focus toward progress of IEP/504 goals. Annual reviews of your child’s IEP will still happen online or on the phone. Please reach out to your child’s teacher with any questions.

How will the district ensure that my child receives the required credits they need this year?
Students will be assigned Home Learning courses based on their current high school course schedule. Their counselors, teachers and other support staff will ensure that students are enrolled in all necessary courses.

If I have issues with technology who should I call?
Please call the IPS Help Desk at 317.226.3600.