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 students in Grades K–8. For a more detailed explanation of the Home Learning Plan, please reference the Home Learning Plan Guidance for Grade K–8 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 among K–8 and high school campuses, given the variances in technology integration and curricular programs.

**What is the Home Learning plan for K–8 students?**
While we aren’t able to be in a physical classroom, our primary goal is to provide continuity of education for our K–8 students via a paper/pencil packet learning pathway. We are providing activities that engage students in learning and play without overwhelming families. We are also supporting our families, not just academically, but socially and emotionally, as we all work through this together.

**What device will my student need for Home Learning?**
Students do not need a device to complete the paper/pencil packets. You can use any device connected to the internet to view the instructional support videos.

**How will my student receive their academic packets?**
Home Learning materials should arrive between April 6 and 8.

**How often will we receive those packets?**
Students in Grades K–8 will receive one packet, which includes instructional materials for the entire month of April. We will share Home Learning materials for May and June at a later date.
What’s the process for turning in completed work?
Students can email, scan or upload a picture of their completed work, if those options are available.

Will the work my student turns in be counted toward their grade?
Grades will be issued based on current grades. Work completed during the Home Learning period (COVID-19 closure) can improve a student’s grade.

Will students be required to take quizzes, tests and final exams?
Quizzes, tests and final exams will not be required during the Home Learning period in April.

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 many days a week will be planned for Home Learning?
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.

How will instruction happen?
Instruction will happen via instructional videos made available for students and families as well as live office hours with teaching staff.

If my student needs help with a concept or an assignment, how will they receive that help?
Students can receive instructional support via office hours with their teachers, or by calling the Home Learning Hotline at 317.226.4000, beginning April 9.

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 review of your child’s IEP will still happen online or on the phone. Please reach out to your child’s teacher with any questions.