



Minersville Area School District

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Dear Parents,

The Minersville Area School District will implement planned instruction beginning on Monday, April 27, 2020. Planned instruction will take place for the following subjects. In the **Elementary**, Grades K-3; English Language Arts (ELA) and Mathematics. For Grades 4-6; English Language Arts (ELA), Mathematics, and Science. All other subjects will stay with review and enrichment. At the **High School**, the four major subjects, Mathematics, English, Science, and Social Studies reflect new material as planned instruction. All electives and other subjects will reflect enrichment material that may be new to students.

All of the planned instruction lessons will be made available on our teacher's websites. Our teachers will be available to provide assistance to our students. Participation is **strongly** encouraged for our students, especially since the material reflecting planned instruction will be new to them. All assignments submitted by our students will receive teacher feedback, and they will be tracking performance that will focus on the engagement by our students. Our plan moving forward is to provide this type of educational opportunities for the remainder of the 2019-2020 academic school year.

We understand that this type of flexible learning may pose possible challenges, especially for families with multiple children, working parents, and those facing technology issues. However, it is important that students make every effort to complete the assignments in order to receive feedback to promote growth and learning. If your child does not have a device, please contact the building level principals for assistance.

The district understands that extenuating circumstances currently exist and the building administrator has the ability to address final grades on an individual student basis. Our District is carefully watching for further guidance from the Pennsylvania Department of Education.

In the fourth quarter, our focus will be on **student growth and engagement**. When evaluating student progress, we will focus on their understanding of material and engagement level as follows: Highly Engaged, Moderately Engaged, or Not Yet Engaged.

Highly Engaged – means a student is actively engaged in the learning process, does actively engage in learning sessions, and actively completes activities/assignments.

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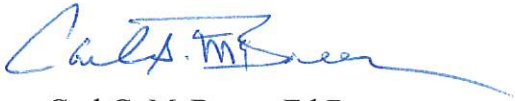
Moderately Engaged – means a student is meeting minimum expectations and/or is partially engaged, attends some learning sessions, and completes some activities/assignments.

Not Yet Engaged – means a student is not engaged in the learning opportunities.

Parents are **strongly** encouraged to ensure that your child/children are accessing teacher websites on a daily basis to ensure that they are receiving lessons from their teacher(s). It is imperative that our district is providing a sense of routine and structure for our students. We understand that this is quite a burden for you and your child. It is very important your that child receives a delivery of instruction that is as beneficial as possible. Thank you for your continued support and patience during this time.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at my office at (570) 544-1400, Ext. 1009.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Carl G. McBreen', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Carl G. McBreen, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools
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