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2026-2027 K-6 Flexible Instructional Day (Virtual) Guidelines

When necessary, students and staff will participate in a Flexible Instructional (virtual) Day (FID) as determined by the superintendent of schools.

For each FID day, students will log on to their teacher's Schoology page to access course materials and complete assigned work. All asynchronous coursework for the day will be posted in a "FID Folder" at the top of the teacher's Schoology page by 8:00 am that day. For K-4 students, the "FID Folder" will be in the homeroom course. For students in grades 5 and 6, there will be a "FID Folder" in the ELA course and a "FID Folder" in the Math course.

Teachers will post a Zoom link on their Schoology page in the "FID Folder" for **live/synchronous instruction.** All live Zooms will begin between 8:45 am and 9:45 am. Please check the "FID folder" in Schoology for the exact start time. ***Students must attend the live Zoom in order to be marked present for the day.*** K-4 teachers will provide anywhere from 25 to 35 minutes of live instruction. For grades 5 & 6, teachers will provide 15-20 minutes of English Language Arts/Social Studies instruction and 15-20 minutes of Math/Science live instruction. During the live synchronous instruction period, teachers will review the day's assignments and provide the instruction needed to complete them. The remainder of the day will be asynchronous/independent work for students to complete based on teacher instruction. Additionally, students will have asynchronous work from their special-area teacher on that letter day. Asynchronous special area work will be posted in that particular special area course folder on Schoology. Special Area teachers will hold a 30-minute open Zoom office hour to answer questions or provide support with special area assignments. The times and Zoom links will be posted on each special area teacher's Schoology page. Finally, any students scheduled to receive gifted instruction, interventions, or other support services on that particular day will have specific instructions and/or asynchronous assignments or Zoom links posted to that teacher's group or course folder.

Counselors, Nurses, Psychologists, RTII Coordinators, Reading Specialists, Math Specialists, Gifted Education teachers, Technology Coaches, Speech teachers, Special Education teachers, and Associate teachers will continue to work with students, staff, and parents as necessary in the virtual setting. If a student receives services or small group instruction on that particular day from any of the specialists listed above, please check your Schoology updates and/or group for asynchronous work assignments and/or Zoom links. A Zoom link and communication will be sent for any scheduled IEP, Gifted, Administrative, or Teacher meeting.

The building will NOT be open for students to collect materials or items from classrooms.

Attendance

Attendance will be taken during the FID day live/synchronous Zoom meeting. ***Any students who are not on the live Zoom session will be marked absent for the day.*** If there is an extenuating circumstance, please email your child's teacher. All asynchronous work must be completed and submitted electronically by 11:59 pm that day. Any paper-and-pencil work can be handed in to the teacher first thing the following school day.

Teachers will take attendance in PowerSchool using the same process as on a normal school day. Any students who attend the live Zoom will be marked present. Any students who DO NOT attend the Zoom will be marked absent.

If a student is **absent**, a parent or guardian should follow the traditional process for excusing the student from school. If you have already submitted a Family Educational Trip Form or previously informed the Attendance Office that your student will be absent, you do not need to do so again. Students who are absent will have the opportunity to make up any work missed.

Important Notes:

- Here are Zoom expectations for students.
- **Teachers will be available to students and parents via email and Schoology message from 8:30 am-3:00 pm. If you have a question about an assignment or concept, please reach out to your child's teacher during**

these hours. **Teachers will reply back during school hours and may set up a brief individual Zoom session if a question can not be answered via message or e-mail.**

- **In the event additional support is needed or technical issues occur**, please reach out to your child's teacher and adjustments will be made to assignment submission deadlines.
- **Students who do not complete the assignments from the virtual day will be marked absent in PowerSchool/Schoology**.
- Any scheduled district assessments (end-of-unit tests, quizzes, etc.) will be moved to the next in-person day. Students will not take district assessments asynchronously on a FID day.
- If it looks like winter weather is in the forecast, kindergarten and first-grade teachers will send the iPads home with students.
- Students experiencing technical issues should send a message on Schoology to their teacher or have a family/guardian email techhelp@nazarethasd.org.