Thomas County Schools: Remote Learning Plan PK-8

Element	Description	Expectations	Suggested Resources and Tools
Planning	Remote learning teachers should be given the opportunity to plan collaboratively with other teachers in their schools and the other remote learning teachers.	-Teachers will meet with grade level teachers on planning meeting datesTeachers will meet as a remote learning team as neededTeachers will follow pacing guides of regular classrooms.	-Google Drive Shared Folders -Unit Plans -Weekly Lesson Plans
Lesson Organization	Well-organized and manageable lessons are necessary for the success of students in the remote learning program.	 -Teachers will post a weekly overview for students. -Students will follow a dedicated schedule. -Clear directions will be posted for each lesson. 	-Seesaw (PK-2) -Google Classroom & Google Suite (2-8)
Relationships/ Communication	Relationships and communication with students and parents are necessary for remote learning to be effective.	-Teachers will hold Zoom meetings to start class and provide an overview of assignmentsTeachers will make initial phone calls with students and families and follow-up phone calls as neededTeachers will establish routines and office hoursTeachers will use Remind in order to communicate with parentsTeachers will hold individual virtual conferences with studentsTeachers will build a psychologically safe and inviting environment for studentsInstructional videos for using technology resources will be made to	-Zoom -Flipgrid -Kahoot -Go Guardian -Remind -Seesaw -Google Classroom -Teacher websites

		support students and parents when needed.	
Direct Instruction	Remote learning lessons should contain instruction and teacher presence.	-Material will be introduced with teacher-designed direct instruction using video conferencing and/or instructional videosWhole group, small group, and 1:1 direct instruction will be included as appropriate.	-Seesaw -Google Classroom (2-8) -Zoom -Loom -Screencastify -SMART Notebook recordings -Flipgrid -EdPuzzle -GoGuardian
Modeling	Anything students are asked to do should be modeled for them through teacher demonstration.	-When applicable, manipulatives will be used in modelingInstructional videos will be created to demonstrate learning outcomes for studentsStudents can also create videos to demonstrate understanding.	-Manipulatives -Document cameras -Zoom
Independent Practice	All lessons should provide an opportunity for students to apply the skill/strategy from the lesson to demonstrate their understanding. Not all practice has to occur online.	-Students will use online and/or offline tools to complete meaningful independent practice for all lessonsLearning activities will be differentiated based on student needs	-Google Suite (2-8) -Seesaw (PK-2) -Reading Eggs -Math Seeds -Interactive Notebooks -Flipgrid -EdPuzzle -MobyMax -Study Island -Document camera -Zoom -GoGuardian

Feedback	Providing feedback demonstrates the value of learning and should be connected to the students' work toward the success criteria.	-Teachers will provide feedback daily during whole group instructionTeachers will provide individual feedback as neededWhen applicable, students will be allowed to revise work based on feedbackStudent work should be given feedback using rubrics, conferencing, and commentsConferences will be scheduled to provide feedback to studentsGrades 1-8: Gradebook will be kept up-to-date.	-Google Suite (2-8) -Seesaw (PK-2) -Common rubrics -Software programs specific to each school
Assessments	Formative and summative assessments should be conducted as they are with a face-to-face course.	-Formative and summative assessments will be given using various formatsAssessments will be differentiated when applicableStudents will take common assessments along with the entire school.	-Seesaw (PK-2) -Naiku -Google Forms -Zoom -Flipgrid -EdPuzzle -Study Island
Grades	Grades will be entered into Infinite Campus as with a face-to-face course.	-The number of grades per quarter will mirror the in-person classrooms.	-Infinite Campus
Digital Citizenship	Experiences will be created for learners to make positive, socially responsible contributions and exhibit empathetic behavior online that build relationships	-Teachers will provide instructional activities based on grade level and subject area	-Common Sense Media Digital Citizenship Curriculum

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Check out this document containing 8 big ideas for virtual teaching and learning, including examples.