



Brunswick School Department
Phase III - Family Guidance - Updates to BSD Continuous Learning Plan
Effective as of April 30, 2020

Please be advised, plans may continue to evolve as we respond to guidance provided by the state of Maine.

The well being of our students and staff continues to be of the utmost importance to our school community. While schools are closed, students will continue to learn in a remote environment. The last school day is currently scheduled to be June 19, 2020.

Thank you to all families for your flexibility and support as we work together as a community to support our students during this challenging period.

Important Updates:

Coffin School & Harriet Beecher Stowe School

The social and emotional well being of our students continues to be our priority. Our focus continues to be on student connection and providing meaningful learning opportunities that reinforce skills and essential understandings already introduced to students.

For the remainder of the school year, the At Home Learning Plan, supplemental resources and paper packets for those who need them will remain as our method of delivery for teaching and learning. The supplemental resources will continue to support various levels of learners at each grade. Student work will not be collected at this time, please keep completed work at home.

Classroom teachers will communicate with their class at least once a day. This communication may take a variety of forms from a posted morning message to an interactive session. Virtual attendance and participation for students is encouraged. The focus of these opportunities will be on connecting with students and supporting their social emotional well being.

For PreK-5 in the absence of extenuating circumstances that have already been discussed between teachers, administration and families, we anticipate that all students will advance to the next grade. Instead of an end of year report card, each student will receive a narrative report from their classroom teacher.

The BSD technology department has been working with PreK-5 families to provide district computers to those who need one. The purpose of computers at this level is to provide families with access to supplemental resources, provide more equitable access and enable opportunities for students to engage with their teachers. Devices are not intended for work production.

Brunswick Junior High School & Brunswick High School

For the fourth quarter, students in grades 6-12 will be assessed using a Pass/Fail system. The platform for work submission will continue to be Google Classroom. Virtual sessions will continue to be held through Google and Zoom. There have not been any substantial changes to remote learning for students in grades 6-12. If you have any questions, please contact the building administrator.

Special Education Update

If your child receives academic instruction in the Special Education setting, you will continue to receive work from his or her case manager as well as the general grade level work. Focus should continue to be given to the individualized materials.

Technology Update

The BSD technology department has been working with PreK-12 families to provide district computers to those who need one. Although we have successfully provided many devices and community-based internet hotspots, it has been a challenge to connect with all families and we are not confident to what extent families are utilizing the hotspots. Nevertheless, the technology department will continue to support requests for devices as we move forward with remote learning.

Technology Reminders:

- Students who do not have access to a computer are able to sign out a device.
- Contact the Technology Department at **319-1990** to schedule a time for computer pick-up from the Central Office. **Please do not show up without an appointment time.**
- If you do not have home access to the internet, Xfinity has opened up all their WiFi hotspots for free so students will be able to log on at certain locations to do schoolwork. The locations of Xfinity Hotspots in Brunswick are as follows: Pleasant Street, Middle Street, Maine Street, Dunning Street, Cumberland Street, Union Street, Park Row, Center Street, Elm Street. The following link provides additional information: www.xfinity.com/wifi
- Food delivery buses have been equipped with **Hot Spots (internet access)**. Internet access should be accessible roughly 50 feet from buses. People will not be permitted to board the buses.

Food Service & At Home Learning Plan Pick Up

Food delivery locations remain the same and are listed below. Delivery will take place Monday, Wednesday & Friday from 9:30am - 10:30am. For families who do not have online access, print copies of the At Home Learning Plan will continue to be available for pick up with our food delivery. Locations are listed below.

- **Perryman** - Bus 11 - parked by community Center
- **Maplewood Manor** - Bus 53 - parked at 2 Karen Ln Office
- **Baybridge** - Bus 52 - Boats & Lots Storage
- **Pegasus & Neptune** - Bus 55- Tennis Courts Parking Lot
- **HBS** - Bus 12 - Front Bus Loop
- **Atlantic Regional Federal Credit Union** - Bus 57 - Front Parking Lot on Cushing
- **Bowdoin College Watson Ice Arena** - Bus 58/43 - Parking Lot
- **Coffin Pond** - Bus 54 - Parking Lot
- **Edwards Field** - Bus 44 - Parking Lot to the right when entering
- **Mid Coast Baptist Church** - Durham Rd - Kent Spaulding - in parking lot