



Millville Area School District
Virtual Snow Day Instructional Guidelines

- The Millville Area School district will employ virtual snow day instruction subsequent to February 2, 2021 when inclement weather requires the district to close.
- When the MASD employs virtual snow day instruction, the day will count towards the 182 instructional day requirement. As a result of implementing virtual snow days, the district will not need to modify the district calendar to supplant additional snow makeup days.
- When the MASD employs virtual snow days (VSD), teachers will provide developmentally appropriate, standards-aligned instructional activities that students will access via Microsoft Teams.
- Utilizing Microsoft Teams, MASD teachers will post an instructional blueprint for each class that students will access when the district employs a VSD. Within blueprints, teachers will post a brief video (approximately 3-5 minutes) providing an overview of learning objectives and instructional activities for each class.
 - Elementary Core Teachers will provide a blueprint with brief video overview for ELA/Reading, Math, Science, and Social Studies.
 - Elementary Related Arts Teachers will provide a blueprint with a brief video overview for each grade K-6 for which they provide instruction on that day of the rotation.
 - Secondary Core and Elective Teachers will provide a blueprint with brief video overview for each class they instruct.
 - Interventionists and Special Education will provide a blueprint with brief video overview for each student group which they instruct.
- VSD instruction is **NOT SYNCHRONOUS**. Rather, VSD instruction will be **ASYNCHRONOUS**. The **ASYNCHRONOUS** instructional model is being employed for it provides the flexibility necessary for teachers and students on VSDs.
 - On a VSD, students will **NOT** be required nor expected to participate in online instruction in **REAL TIME**. Rather, on a VSD, students will access instruction on Microsoft Teams throughout the day at the most opportune times for them and their families.
 - All academic activities, assignments, and assessments on a VSD must be **completed and submitted to the teacher for review by 10PM on the VSD in order for the student to receive credit for work completed.**
 - Primary students who are completing paper-based activities will submit their work to their classroom teacher on the next school day.

- On a VSD, Elementary and Secondary teachers will post instructional blueprints for each class by 7:40AM so that they can be readily accessed by students throughout the entire school day.
- On a VSD, compulsory attendance is required for ALL students. On a VSD, attendance will be determined by COMPLETION of all academic work submitted by students.
- In order for a student to be marked "PRESENT" or in "ATTENDANCE" for the VSD, he/she must submit academic work for ALL classes on their schedule by 10PM on the VSD without exception. (Teachers will submit attendance to attendance secretary by 3:15PM on the next school day.)
 - In the event that a student does not submit his/her assignments for ALL classes, he/she will be assigned a partial day absence.
 - Elementary students must submit academic work for ELA/Reading, Math, Science, Social Studies, and Related Arts to be marked in attendance for the VSD.
 - Secondary students must submit academic work for all core classes and electives that appear upon their respective schedule to be marked in attendance for VSD.
 - In the event that a student does not complete academic work for one or more classes, an excuse blank should be sent to school principal for consideration and review.
- Throughout the VSD, teachers will be available to students to address questions and/or concerns and provide assistance.
 - Students can access teacher support and assistance by utilizing the "Chat" feature in Microsoft Teams throughout the day.

The Millville Area School District is employing Virtual Snow Days (VSD) in order to provide our learning community with the most flexible and appropriate option to access meaningful instruction when inclement weather presents.

Your partnership and flexibility with implementing Virtual Snow Days is greatly APPRECIATED!

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