Broken Arrow Public Schools’ District Learning Plan

April 6th- May 8th 2020

Broken Arrow Public Schools is dedicated to providing meaningful, relevant and enriching learning for the remainder of the school year.  Broken Arrow Public Schools is one to one learning for 6th-12th grade students. All middle and high school students were directed to bring devices home prior to spring break dismissal, however, if a student did forget their Chromebook at the site, principals are scheduling times for parents to get the device.  According to our own district survey, the majority of elementary students who attend Broken Arrow Public Schools have access to devices and internet at home and the majority of secondary students have access to the internet as well. For those students who don’t have access to devices or the internet, packets of learning will be provided at various locations throughout Broken Arrow over the course of the next five weeks.

Broken Arrow Public Schools has developed Distance Learning packets for each grade level (Pre-K through fifth), middle schools and high schools. These packets include the guiding principles of instruction, suggested time for instruction and learning, links to online resources and activities (for those who will have access to a device at some point), information on SEL and grading practices.  Additionally, each packet will include hands-on activities, reading and practice worksheets for students who don’t have access to online learning at home. Students’ who wish to receive grades for their work and don’t have access to a computer may take a picture and forward it to their teacher or arrangements will be made on a case by case need for submitting assignments. In addition, grades will only be recorded if a student wishes to improve his/her grade. Grades will not have a negative impact on a student’s final grade as lack of internet/access to online learning should not penalize a student.

Attached are the frameworks for grades Pre-K through fifth grades, middle school and high school.  The online framework for distance learning will be updated weekly and accessible on Monday morning each week.  Pre-K-5th grade Distance Learning packets will be distributed the Monday of each week and will be available all week at specific Walmart Supercenters.  Middle school and high school learning packets will be distributed on April 6th and packets will be replaced as needed at the participating Walmart’s.

In addition, our SPED students and EL students will continue to receive support. The SPED teachers have been contacting parents, scheduling IEP’s and adjusting instruction to students’ needs. Level 1 students will coincide with general education with accommodations. Level 2 and Level 3 students’ work will be individualized and available online or learning packets. There is also a full support schedule for our Newcomer EL students and bilingual story time for any BAPS student. Storytime will be in English, Spanish and Hmong. See attached schedule. Live links will be inserted soon.

Teachers have had required professional development on best online instructional practices, as well as, grade level and content area specific training.  Principals have also received training and are meeting virtually each week with teachers. Attached are the FAQ’s developed for teachers and principals.

Finally, the district has developed a webpage strictly devoted to distance learning for parents and students.  This will serve as an excellent resource and support for both parents and students as we progress through this time.  For any additional questions or clarification, feel free to reach out to Karla Dyess: kdyess@baschools.org