KCSCONNECT Fall 2020

Virtual Student Orientation

Information for Families

Breakfast and Lunch Information

Virtual Learning

Two Methods

- Virtual Online Instruction As much as possible, each elementary school will run a virtual school within the school. The student is at home accessing course work in a digital format. Students will continue to be enrolled in their school and taught by a certified teacher from that school. Some lessons will be synchronous (the teacher delivering a lesson or the students are participating in discussions through Microsoft Teams), and some lessons will be asynchronous (students working independently accessing work created by the teacher through Canvas.)
- District QuEST Virtual Learning program Students may be assigned to the District QuEST program when their assigned school is unable to accommodate their virtual instruction at the school level. Students will continue to be enrolled in their zoned school but will be taught by a certified teacher for their grade level or course subject. There will be communication between the QuEST teacher and the zoned school throughout the duration of enrollment. All teachers who teach the QuEST courses through the Virtual Learning program are Knox County employees who are certified in the grade level or course that are assigned to teach. Virtual teachers will follow the KCS curriculum and state standards.

Virtual Teacher Assignment

 Virtual teacher assignments will be available in Aspen on August 14.

 Parents/Guardians should log in to Aspen to see their child's teacher assignment.

Student Expectations

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- Adhere to the KCS Dress Code. Remember that instruction is in a live environment.
- Engage in a way that creates a safe and respectful environment for teachers and students.
- Follow all KCS policies when utilizing technology. KCS reserves the right to monitor all technology resource activity.
- Check Canvas or other teacher communication formats daily. Teachers will provide scheduled office hours - minimum of two hours per week.
- Adhere to all assessment policies for diagnostic, benchmark, and Standards Based
 Assessments. Some assessments may require students to participate in person.
- Engage in virtual discussions, submit assignments, and maintain the pace of the course.
- Report any technical issues to your teacher as soon as an issue arises.

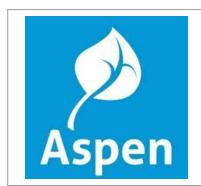
Refer to the KCS Elementary Virtual Learning Program Student/Parent Handbook for additional information regarding student expectations.

Parent Expectations

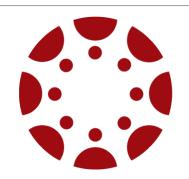
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Technology Systems

Technology Systems for KCS Virtual Learning



Aspen is the system for grades, attendance, and communication.
Aspen Family Portal allows for communication concerning student progress.



Canvas is the learning management system. Student content, tasks, and feedback will all be housed here. This is a student's digital backpack.



Google Drive allows students to store various work products as documents, spreadsheets, or presentations.
Connects with Canvas.



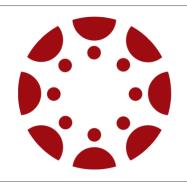
Microsoft Teams is the system used to video chat. Connects with Canvas.

Additional supports for each of the Technology Systems can be found on our KCS Connect site.

Technology Systems- How Parents Can Support Their Students

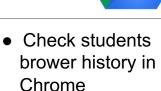


- Ensure that email and phone information is current.
- Set notifications

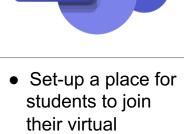


- Become a Parent Observer
- Set notifications





 Review student work and ask them what they are doing



- students to join their virtual meeting (plain wall, good lighting)
- Ensure no distractions or extra noise
- Support students to get connected.

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Device Use and Care

Chromebooks



- Laptops that use Google's Chrome operating system
- Navigate in the Chrome web browser
- Work from web-based applications through Google Drive like Google Docs, Slides, and Sheets
- Storage is in the cloud

Additional resources are available to navigate the Chromebook.

Google Sign in to your Chromebook Managed by knoxschools.org. Learn more **Sample Student Login** Enter your email @student.knoxschools.org Forgot email? John Smith Student ID #1234567 **Username:** S1234567@student.knoxschools.org Password: JS4567kcs

Use of the Device

- Devices should only be used for educational activities.
- The technology device is property of the Knox County Schools and may be collected and inspected at any time. Students have no right to privacy for any material when using a district technology device.
- If a student's technology device is lost or stolen, the student should report the loss immediately to the teacher (if the device is stolen off campus, a police report should be completed immediately.).
- Filtering software is installed to block social media and other sites and filters based on content keywords.

Care of the Device

- The care of the district technology device is the student's responsibility. Students should not lend their device to another person.
- Technology devices should be kept at room temperature and should NOT be exposed to extremes of hot or cold. Students should NOT LEAVE their technology device IN THE CAR. Students should not leave their technology device outside.
- Liquids and food should not be used/consumed in the vicinity of the technology device.
- Cleaners, sprays, alcohol, ammonia or abrasives should not be on the technology device. Devices should be cleaned using the microfiber cloth provided by our PES PTA or with a soft, lint-free cloth.
- The cleaning solution "recipe" is in the bag with your cleaning cloth.
- If a student's technology device is not working or is damaged, students/and or parents should report the problem immediately to their teacher.
- If a student's technology device is lost or stolen, the student or parent should report the loss immediately to administration (if the device is stolen off campus, a police report should be completed).

Best Practices

- Use your device for KCS assignments and learning
- Only use your user name and password
- Do not share your user name and password with others
- KCS technicians should be the only ones to repair your device
- Treat your device with respect.

Behavior Expectations

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- Teachers will share their class behavior expectations with their students and families.
- All KCS students (including virtual learners) are expected to treat others with respect and follow KCS district, school and classroom behavior expectations.
- Consequences for inappropriate behavior of virtual learners will be assigned by the teacher and/or administrator.

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