



Virtual Learning Update

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Ramapo Indian Hills Regional H.S. District

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Let me start by saying thank you for helping us to kick off our Virtual High School successfully. Your patience is much appreciated as we work out a few glitches to keep our learning moving forward. Some of the on-line experiences may have been a bit simple on these first few days while we got started. We wanted all students and teachers to get used to the new environment before any sophisticated or more complex learning platforms were used or tried. Our goal is to keep pace with the curriculum for all courses in the District. Of course, this is uncharted territory for all of us. As a reminder, all students are required to be online during their regularly scheduled classes according to the schedule included below. Attendance is taken in all classes and recorded in Genesis. Some students have submitted assignments but not been online during class. This will be recorded as an absence. Please remind your children of the importance of following their regular schedule.

Beginning next week, all teachers will be scheduling **extra help times** for students. Each teacher will notify their students of times available for extra help. Each teacher will have three 30 minute blocks of time set aside for extra help scheduled either from 9:00-9:30 AM or from 2:30-3:00PM. By the end of this week, teachers will notify students of their extra help hours for next week.

If you need to reach a teacher, guidance counselor, supervisor, administrator or another staff member, please call his/her extension at school and you will get a callback. You can also email him/her and request a callback.

With each passing day, the news we see online and on television does not get any better. Please try to be as positive with your children as possible and remember we can only control what we can control. Practice social distancing, good hygiene, get lots of exercise outdoors and try to eat healthy. Have your children reach out to grandparents or older neighbors through facetime or phone calls because this is a very lonely and scary time for our elderly isolated folks.

I will continue to update you as necessary with additional information. Thank you for your support of our Virtual High School. While we know this is not necessarily the best learning environment, we should all feel very blessed that we have a 1:1 laptop environment which has helped our transition to be much smoother.

I hope your family and extended families are all healthy and enjoying the time reconnecting with one another as we spend lots of "together" time. Most of us are experiencing a test of patience and tolerance like we have not had for quite some time, if ever. Hang in there and try to make the most of our existing conditions. This is one situation that we will always remember while wishing we could forget. Stay well.

Best regards,

Beverly MacKay

Superintendent of Schools

Period	Start	End
1	9:30	10:00
2	10:03	10:33
3	10:36	11:06
4	11:09	11:39
5	11:42	12:12
6	12:15	12:45
7	12:48	1:18
8	1:21	1:51
9	1:54	2:24

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