

Board Resolution Regarding Distance Learning for School Year 2020-2021

The Board of Education of the Amanda-Clearcreek School District, Fairfield County, Ohio, met on August 10, 2020, at Amanda with the following members present:

Kyle Sharp, President

Robin Saum, Vice-President

Brandon Kern

Justin Rainier

Susan Young

In recognition of the complexity involved in the preparation of a remote learning plan for the 2020-2021 school year, I am extending this deadline through August 21, 2020, to allow school leaders sufficient time to develop their remote learning models.

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All work for the week will be released to the online students by midnight Sunday night for K - 5 students and must be completed by midnight Saturday night. Students in grade 6 - 12 will have lessons updated daily. Teachers will be available to our online students each weekday afternoon. Grades and attendance will be recorded. Staff members will follow up with our online students daily. If contact has not been made via our staff making phone calls, sending out emails, utilizing a messaging service such as DoJO or Remind, etc. our county truant officer will be contacted immediately.

Professional Development opportunities for our teachers to provide our students the best opportunity to be most successful will take place on August 12, 13, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21. A major focus of Google Classroom will be provided for our teachers dependent upon where the particular teacher is. We will also provide videoing techniques to enhance the planning and delivery of the lessons. Document camera professional development will also be offered.

We will be providing hot spots throughout our district that will allow more locations to have wifi other than the school parking lot. Our hope is to provide enough hot spots that would result in a

student not having to go more than 6-8 miles to be able to download their assigned Google Classroom work.

We will be able to utilize this plan if we are required to educate all students remotely due to a directive or order.

This plan also provides us a much better way of educating our students if for some reason we were required to utilize "blizzard bags". This allows us a much better chance of teaching in our scope and sequence as opposed to trying to anticipate what we will be teaching 2 - 8 weeks out from the day school may be canceled.

WHEREAS, Governor Mike DeWine has declared a state of emergency in Ohio, and the Governor and the Director of the Ohio Department of Health have closed all Ohio schools to students from March 16, 2020, until at least May 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Governor DeWine and the Ohio Department of Education have stated that schools should work to provide education through alternative means during the period of an extended school closure; and

WHEREAS, Section 15 of Ohio House Bill 197, signed into law by Governor DeWine on March 27, 2020, permits a board of education to adopt a plan for distance learning for students during the school shutdown, even if it had not adopted one previously pursuant to Revised Code § 3313.482; and

WHEREAS, Ohio Department of Education guidance indicates that schools may use "blizzard bags" during this extended school closure, beyond the normal three days;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that pursuant to Ohio House Bill 197, Section 15, the Board hereby approves the provision of distance learning retroactive to March 16, 2020, and continuing through the period of extended school closure due to COVID-19.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board ratifies and authorizes the Superintendent's development and implementation of a plan of distance learning, as set forth in Exhibit A, to enable and require students of the district to access and complete classroom lessons in order to make up hours because of the closing of schools in compliance with orders of the Governor, Director of the Ohio Department of Health, a local board of health, and/or an extension of such an order due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Mrs. Robin Saum made a motion to approve the board resolution for distance learning;

Mrs. Susan Young seconded the motion and, after discussion, a roll call vote was taken and the results were:

Ayes: Suzanne Adams, Kristin Roman, Young

Nays: none

The resolution passed.

Passed: August 10, 2020

Attest: *Jin Madf* 8/18/20
Treasurer Date

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