

Saint Mark Catholic School Parent eLearning Explanation

In response to school being closed due to health concerns, below are the guidelines for eLearning at St. Mark Catholic School. eLearning will begin Monday, March 16th, 2020.

We appreciate all of the parents that picked up textbooks and eLearning packets on Friday! If you are unable to pick the textbooks and packets on Friday, they will be available for pickup in the school office Monday, March 16th from 8:00-3:00 pm.)

eLearning Overview:

One of the main objectives of our Saint Mark Catholic School eLearning program, and what differentiates us from other schools, is the continuation of integrating our Catholic faith throughout our eLearning curriculum. We want students to be fully engaged in eLearning when they are at home so that they are ready to dive back into instruction when classes resume. Teachers and Staff are very excited about this opportunity to provide eLearning experiences and to increase their creativity as educators during this process. Our eLearning goal is to include our entire staff (classroom teachers, instructional assistants, interventionists, Special Education/ELL teachers, and administrators) in the process to provide the most complete and engaging academic and spiritual lessons as possible.

During eLearning days, teachers will be able to communicate with students and parents throughout the normal school hours (7:30am-3:30 pm). Teachers will communicate with you the modes of communication that will be available and will respond to you within an hour of receiving an email during school hours.

PreK-1st Grade:

- Teachers will provide take-home packets with lessons and activities for the next two weeks.
- Teachers will email parents daily with the assignments using Jupiter Ed by 9:00 am. (Many of these will be included in the packets picked up on Friday.)
- The take-home packet and assignments via email are designed to be completed independently by students but will require some initial parent support (ex: reading directions)
- Completed Packets will be returned the first day back in school OR at a later announced date.

2nd-3rd Grade:

- Teachers will email parents daily with an overview of assignments using Jupiter Ed between 8:30-9:00am.
- On Google Classroom teachers will daily post assignments, videos, audio, etc for students to access.
- Teachers will post assignments on Google Classroom that students should be able to complete with minimal parental support. The assignments will focus on the Indiana State Standards with Christ at the center.
- We understand that there may be limits to technology and teachers will be flexible. If you have limitations on technology, please contact your child's teacher directly to develop an alternate plan.

4th-8th Grade:

- Homeroom teachers will send a detailed communication using Jupiter Ed explaining how students should access assignments daily using Google Classroom by Monday, March 16th
- On Google Classroom teachers will daily post assignments, videos, audio etc for students to access.
- Teachers will post assignments on Google Classroom that students should be able to complete with minimal parental support. The assignments will focus on the Indiana State Standards with Christ at the center.
- We understand that there may be limits to technology and teachers will be flexible. If you have limitations on technology, please contact your child's teacher directly to develop an alternate plan.

General Questions:

If you have any questions about assignments, how to use Google Classroom (grades 2-8) or need assistance or clarification in completing an assignment please contact your child's classroom teacher or an admin team member.

We would rather have everyone here at school, but this is the situation that we find ourselves in, and we will do the best to continue your child's academic and spiritual growth while at home. Please keep our students, teachers, parents in your prayers as we work together to meet your child's needs. God Bless you!

Thanks and God Bless,

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