

**Pleasantville Public Schools
Remote Instruction Plan
2022-2023**



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Introduction

In April 2020, Governor Murphy signed A-3904 into law (P.L.2020, c.27, or “Chapter 27”), which in part requires each school district, charter school, renaissance school project, and Approved Private School for Students with Disabilities, hereinafter referred to as Local Educational Agencies (LEA), to annually submit a proposed program for emergency virtual or remote instruction (Plan) to the New Jersey Department of Education (Department). This law provides for the continuity of instruction in the event of a public health-related district closure by permitting LEAs to utilize virtual or remote instruction to satisfy the 180-day requirement pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:7F-9. To assist LEAs in submitting their Plans, the Department is issuing “Local Educational Agency Guidance for Chapter 27 Emergency Virtual or Remote Instruction Programs for the 2022-2023 School Year (SY),” which includes a checklist identifying components that must be included in an LEA’s Plan.

The Pleasantville Public School’s Remote Instruction Plan provides for continuity of instruction in the event of a public health-related district closure, in accordance with A-3904 which permits LEAs to utilize virtual or remote instruction to satisfy the 180-day requirement pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:7F-9.

This Remote Instruction Plan was approved by the Pleasantville Board of Education on August 9, 2022.



Technology and Connectivity

All students K-12 will receive district-issued Chromebooks to use both within the school building and at home. Any family with inadequate Internet connectivity will be provided with equipment from the district to ensure a continued, seamless connection.

Support tickets for any issues related to the Chromebooks, Apps, or other online resources can be submitted by students or parents/guardians using a link on the district website. Every attempt will be made to resolve issues remotely. However, if this is not possible, the Information Technology team will schedule a time for a replacement device to be picked up.

As an additional layer of support, the technology office has installed Go Guardian on every district-issued Chromebook or laptop to filter content for all students and ensure time on task and productivity.



Food Services

“Grab and Go” breakfast and lunches will be available to all students, PreK-12th grade at neighborhood schools and additional designated locations throughout town. Two meals will be available to pick up every Monday and three meals will be available to pick up every Wednesday. The district will make appropriate delivery accommodations for families in need who are unable to pick up their children’s lunches from the identified locations.

Meal pickup time and area will be determined by the neighborhood school. These times will be posted on the district website and individual school pages.



Remote Learning Expectations

In the event that the district is required to transition to remote learning, the instructional length of the school day will follow the length of the regular in-person instructional school day, ensuring compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A:32-8.3 and local attendance policies. Moreover, students will be afforded the same quality and scope of instruction and other educational services through live, direct instruction and independent/guided learning.

The following is an overview of key components of instruction in the remote learning environment:

- The instructional day will start and end at the regular times:
 - Early Childhood: 8:50 - 3:05
 - Elementary School: 8:50 - 3:05
 - Middle School: 8:05 - 2:31
 - High School: 7:45 - 2:10
- Instruction will primarily be delivered through live, direct instruction via video streaming platforms such as Google Meet.
- Teachers will utilize Google Classroom as the platform for posting assignments and communicating with students and families in all grades.
- Support services (ESL, Basic Skills, Reading Specialists) staff members will utilize their own Google Classroom and Google Meet sessions to service students.



Daily Instructional Schedules*

Early Childhood Instructional Schedule		
Instruction	Lunch/Recess	Interventions / Small Group Guided Instruction
8:50-1:00	1:00-1:35	1:35-3:05

Elementary School Instructional Schedule		
Instruction	Lunch/Recess	Interventions / Small Group Guided Instruction
8:50-1:00	1:00-1:35	1:35-3:05

Middle School Instructional Schedule		
Instruction	Lunch/Recess	Interventions / Small Group Guided Instruction
8:05-12:20	12:20-12:55	12:55-2:31

High School Instructional Schedule		
Instruction	Lunch/Recess	Interventions / Small Group Guided Instruction
7:45-12:00	12:00-12:30	12:30-2:10

**Individual bell schedules determined by building principal*

