**Reconnect DPS**

Date: August 5, 2020

May be amended as needed

***Virtual Only Option***

 **We recognize that some families may not be able to have their student(s) attend school in person either due to pre-existing medical conditions or out of personal family choice. We understand these decisions are difficult and families must make educational decisions that are best for their families. Our fully online program is available to serve students in grades Pre-K through 12.**

 **The virtual learning experience for the 2020 – 2021 school year will have a different look from the digital learning students experienced in the spring. The expectations and rigor will be more like face-to-face instruction in the classroom. The general expectation is that students will complete digital instruction and be available for virtual instruction during regular school day hours.\*\* Families must commit to work with schools and teachers to help facilitate learning virtually. School issued computers and some basic instructional supplies will be provided.**

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| *What to Expect* | *Elementary* | *Middle*  | *High* |
| **Schedule** | Students will have 3 to 4 hours of coursework daily. Subject/Content minutes may vary by day/week. | Student instruction delivered digitally five days a week. Students will receive their assignments weekly with due dates. Students will have on average 4 to 5 hours of coursework daily. Subject/Content minutes may vary by day/week. | Student instruction delivered digitally five days a week. Students will receive their assignments weekly with due dates. Students will have on average 4 to 5 hours of coursework daily. Subject/Content minutes may vary by day/week. |
| **Instructional Design/Assignments** | Students will be provided with high quality, engaging, standards-based instruction based on the Georgia Standards of Excellence. New curriculum standards will be introduced in all content areas. Students will have daily instructional activities that reinforce mastery of standards and some will be graded to assess student learning. Teachers will give feedback on daily assignments. The length of the assignments should be appropriate to the course, age, and individual needs of the students. Teachers will communicate due dates to students. |
| **Daily Instruction** | Instruction will be delivered via Canvas and through virtual meetings and virtual instruction with a teacher(s). Canvas courses have been designed for each grade level, PK – 5, which incorporate core content, art, music, and PE. Content will be specially designed or modified to meet the needs of special populations and dual language students. | Instruction will be delivered via Canvas and through virtual meetings and virtual instruction with a teacher(s). Teachers have designed courses using middle school content standards. Content will be specially designed or modified to meet the needs of special populations. | Instruction will be delivered via Canvas and through virtual meetings and virtual instruction with a teacher(s). Teachers have designed courses using high school content standards. Content will be specially designed or modified to meet the needs of special populations. |
| **Grading** | All grading will be consistent with DPS policy and protocols regardless of the method of delivery of instruction. |
| **Teacher Availability** | Teachers will meet with students digitally for instruction and feedback during announced assigned times. At other times, activities and assignments will be completed independently. Students may contact their teacher(s) for individual help and conferences as needed. |
| **Attendance** | Attendance is required, will be collected, and recorded. |

\*\*Under extenuating circumstances, school personnel will work with students and families who have situations that may prohibit participation in learning during regular school hours.

NOTE: The final plan for organizing staff for virtual only learning has not been finalized at this time. The final plan is contingent on the number of students who elect to participate in the virtual only option.