Virtual Academy

Family Orientation Meeting
August 18

Tonight's Agenda

- Introductions
- Overview of Virtual Academy
- Instructional Materials
- Devices
- Specials
- Action Steps for Families
- Meet the Teacher Opportunity

Virtual Academy @ Pleasant Grove

Classes in Grades 1 - 5

- Students will utilize CANVAS as the learning platform
- Familiar tools like Google Meet, etc. also will be used
- There is an online Virtual Academy Orientation for families to complete within the first week of school
- All VA students will complete a VA Student Orientation with their teacher during the first two days of school

Instructional Materials

Quarterly Materials Pick-up

Quarter 1 Distribution

Thursday, August 19

5 PM - 7 PM

Devices

All students will use a Chromebook for the 21 - 22 school year.

- New to WCPSS or did not receive a chromebook last year
- If the chromebook previously received has reached its "life cycle"
- Devices will be issued from your base school
- Contact base school if you need device or hot spot

Devices

Will iPads work with CANVAS? -- Yes, but it is not recommended or ideal

Old or damaged devices?

Contact WCPSS Technology Help Desk

919-664-5700 or visit https://www.wcpss.net/techguides

Specials, Lunch & Recess

Students will connect to Art, Music, and PE through CANVAS for asynchronous learning activities.

This content is district created. Feedback and grades will be provided by Specialist Teachers.

✴**11:45 AM - 12:45 PM** is blocked off as time for students to complete lunch and recess

Action Steps for Families

- Please complete and review the [Virtual Academy Orientation For Families](#) within the first week of school.
- All VA families and students need to review the following:

  [VA Family Responsibilities](#) and [VA Student Responsibilities Attendance](#)

- All VA Students will complete a VA Student Orientation during the first week of school with their teachers.

Action Steps for Families

Please watch the following video: Accessing and Logging Into Canvas

Use this resource: Canvas Dashboard Overview For Families: for questions on how to navigate Canvas.

Canvas Parent Observer Account and App:

a.   View a tutorial on how to use the Canvas parent app

b.   How to generate a code for a parent observer account

Let's meet your child's Virtual Academy Teacher!