

## **Troy City Schools Virtual Learning Agreement 2020-2021**

Troy City Schools will offer parents a dual instructional approach, Traditional and Remote/Virtual for the 2020-2021 school year. Parents can send their children to school in the traditional model, or parents may choose to keep their children at home and participate in remote/virtual instruction. This likely will be the only school year that TCS Remote Learning for grades K-8 will be available to students. Students who enroll in a distance or virtual option will attend school in a remote environment. Virtual students will complete work through an online platform provided by the Alabama State Department of Education.

Virtual enrollment requires parent/guardian consent to program requirements, as well as a commitment to provide structure and support that is essential for success in a virtual environment. If parents choose the remote/virtual approach, students will be enrolled from the beginning of school to the end of the first nine (9) weeks. At that time, they can continue virtual or re-enter the traditional school setting. Finally, virtual students will be required to have equipment and access to the internet in order to participate in virtual learning.

Students who meet the following requirements are eligible for participation in the virtual learning program:

- Comply with the district's Student Internet and IT Acceptable Use Policy
- Access to the internet and to a computer/device
- Provide own transportation to base school for unit assessments and any district and state-mandated assessments
- Adhere to the Code of Student Conduct

### **Monitoring Performance and Testing Requirements:**

Individual student performance will be monitored pursuant to the school system's traditional academic credit requirements and grade scale. Students utilizing the virtual school option will be subject to all state testing and accountability requirements and will be subject to the same rules and regulations regarding the administration of such tests applicable to traditional public school students enrolled in the traditional public school.

The Superintendent is hereby authorized to take whatever action may be necessary to facilitate the state testing and accountability requirements applicable to virtual school students. The school system reserves the right to require students utilizing the virtual school option to participate in state testing and accountability requirements on campus at a date and time selected by the school system.

The Superintendent is also authorized to take whatever action may be necessary to facilitate the integrity of course assessments. The school system reserves the right to require students participating in virtual school to complete specified assessment activities on campus at a date and time selected by the school system.

### **Attendance:**

Students participating in the virtual school option will be considered as being in attendance if the students are successfully progressing in the virtual class coursework. Success will be measured by pacing and grades.

The school system reserves the right to set specific attendance requirements for individual students as indicated by successful course progression. The superintendent or his designee is authorized to develop alternate attendance policies for students who are more than 20% behind the target course completion, has a grade below 65, and/or has shown no significant activity in the course for one week. A student not progressing appropriately could be required to return to the traditional school setting.

### **Removal:**

Students may be transitioned back to a traditional school day program if:

- the student's participation in the virtual program is impeding the student's academic progress;
- the student fails to progress through the course successfully as indicated by pacing and grades;
- the student violates school system policies, procedures, rules, or regulations, including, but not limited to, the school system's rules governing the Student Internet and IT Acceptable Use Policy.

### **Extracurricular Activities:**

Students must meet the same extracurricular activity eligibility requirements as students enrolled in the traditional day program, including, but not limited to, any applicable Alabama High School Athletic Association ("AHSAA") requirements. Students participating in athletics or other extracurricular activities could be required to report to campus for Seventh Period. These students will be responsible for their own transportation.

I hereby acknowledge that I have received and agree to the Troy City Schools Virtual Learning Agreement as provided above. Please return this form to the school's principal.

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Student's Name (Please Print)

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Student's Grade

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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Date