Giles School eLearning Plan

Public Act 101-0012 authorizes school districts to implement eLearning days in lieu of emergency days. eLearning days may be utilized when inclement weather, building issues, or other emergency conditions make it unsafe or impractical for students and staff to attend school in person. When an eLearning day is necessary, the district will notify families as soon as possible via email, and the information will also be posted on the district website. The decision to implement an eLearning day will always prioritize the safety and well-being of students and staff, ensuring that learning can continue even when in-person attendance is not possible.

All District 80 students are issued a Chromebook each year. All materials necessary to complete eLearning activities can be accessed through the district-issued Chromebook and any materials sent home.

If a student is unable to participate in eLearning due to illness or other valid circumstances, parents or guardians should contact the school office (email gilesoffice@norridge80.net) to report the absence in accordance with the district's standard attendance procedures.

General Information for Giles School Students on eLearning Days

- School Day Hours: 8:20 AM – 3:15 PM
- Student lunch will be independent, non-instructional time.
- Special Education services will continue according to each student's schedule.
- All related services (e.g., Speech, Social Work, Band lessons, OT/PT) will continue as scheduled.
- Special Education paraprofessionals will follow their regular day-to-day schedule.
- Title paraprofessionals will provide support to the grade level to which they are assigned.
- Beginning at 9:15 AM, staff will contact families of students who are absent to confirm attendance and assist with troubleshooting any technical issues.

Student Expectations on eLearning Days

- Students will follow their daily schedule.
  Students are expected to use Google Classroom as their primary eLearning platform.
- Students will use Google Meet for video conferencing with their teachers.
- Active participation in class is required for students to be marked present. Students must be visible on video and engaged in class activities.
- Student Lunch will be conducted asynchronously.

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Steps students should follow to connect with staff on [Date] eLearning Day.

1. Log into chromebook.
2. Click the google classroom icon.
3. All google classroom courses will be listed.
4. Click on the google classroom course that corresponds with the schedule below.
5. Once inside the scheduled google classroom there will be an icon on the left to join the classroom virtually.

Class	Time	Minutes
Teacher Building Meeting	7:55 - 8:20	25
Homeroom	8:20-8:30	10
Period 1	8:30 - 9:10	40
Period 2	9:10 - 9:50	40
Period 3	9:50 - 10:30	40
Period 4	10:30 - 11:10	40
Period 5	11:10 - 11:50	40
Period 6	11:50 - 12:30	40
Period 7	12:30 - 1:10	40
Period 8	1:10 - 1:50	40
Period 9	1:50 - 2:30	40
Period 10	2:30 - 3:10	40
Homeroom	3:10 - 3:15	5

In the event that severe weather results in a loss of power or internet access, eLearning expectations will be adjusted accordingly. If the severe weather causes a widespread and prolonged loss of power or internet connectivity for a significant portion of the district's attendance area, an eLearning day will not be implemented. Instead, the district will designate the day as a traditional emergency (snow) day, which will be made up at the end of the school year in accordance with the approved school calendar.

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