

CHANCELLOR ACADEMY
Pompton Plains, NJ
Virtual or Remote Instruction Plan 2021-2022

Chancellor Academy, Pompton Plains, is providing full day in-person instruction and related services in the school building from 8:00 AM through 2:00 PM Monday through Friday for 2021-2022. We are committed to maintaining continuity of educational services for all students, in the event a transition to virtual or remote instruction is necessary during the school year.

Chancellor Academy issues all students an individual Chromebook to utilize in school and at home for instructional purposes during the 2021-2022 school year, in compliance with our technology use policy. Students unable to attend school in-person for COVID-related reasons, such as testing positive for COVID-19 or quarantining, have the opportunity to temporarily transition to virtual instruction, related services and behavior management per their IEP until they are cleared to return to school. If a student must remain home for more than two school days due to COVID-19 or another documented reason, Chancellor Academy will deliver synchronous virtual instruction using Zoom, Google Meet or a similar platform, to supplement asynchronous learning with Google Classroom assignments. Staff members also communicate with students via email, Chat, telephone and mailing home supplemental materials. Students absent from school for any reason will have the opportunity to access classwork posted on Google Classroom. To address a potential digital divide, Chancellor Academy will continue to survey parents/guardians periodically throughout the year to ascertain and resolve issues related to Internet connectivity. Tech support staff communicate with parents/guardians to help assure students are able to access the Internet on their Chromebook from home, as well as offering assistance with using technology effectively.

In the event a classroom, a specific division, i.e., middle school, high school or Chancellor Academy Transition (C.A.T. Program), or the entire school must temporarily transition from in-person instruction and related services to virtual learning, synchronous and asynchronous instruction will be delivered. Closing for in-person learning may be necessary due to inclement weather, natural disaster, cases of COVID-19, or another emergency reason. On such days, Chancellor Academy students will be invited to virtual classes and related service sessions on Zoom or Google Meet, beginning at 8:00 a.m. Students will follow their regular schedule of classes and receive five hours of virtual education per day, with a twenty minute lunch break scheduled before the final class.

Chancellor Academy serves breakfast and lunch meals in the building, providing nutritious free and reduced meals to eligible students daily. If a transition to virtual learning seems likely for the following day, students will be sent home with their grab and go breakfast meal and additional healthy food items (such as fruit, carrot sticks). Chancellor Academy will communicate with the school districts of students who participate in the Federal Free and Reduced Lunch Program to direct eligible students to sites distributing meals within their community/home district and will direct parents/guardians/students to contact their local district. This will help assure students at risk for food insecurity will have their nutritional needs met during the school closure.