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St. Monica Academy E-Learning Plan 2020-2021

We believe that our students learn best in the classroom with peers under the guidance of their caring teacher. **At this time, we are intending to follow our In-Person Learning Plan in a safe environment with all precautions set forth in the SMA Reopening Plan. However, we are now offering a new e-learning option if families do not feel comfortable attending in-person learning when the school year begins on Monday, August 24th.** This new e-learning option will be conducted by our own SMA teachers, not Catapult Learning, which was the host in the previous plan. Please note, if you choose the e-learning option, your child's schedule will mimic that of the students in the school building, which would be different from the schedules below.

During these unprecedented times, it may be necessary to temporarily move all teaching and learning out of the school building and into the homes for all students. We will be prepared for all circumstances. Some families may choose the e-learning option from the start of the year and their schedule will be the same as the students in the school building. Class schedules for e-learning would be similar to the ones below if everyone in the class is on e-learning or if the entire school is on e-learning.

Our staff at St. Monica Academy has learned a lot in the past months being separated from our students and our school building. We have taken what we learned during the pandemic, and now we want to improve and build upon our E-Learning Plan in the event it is needed. Our staff has worked together to gain feedback from our knowledge of our recent experiences at the end of last school year. This plan is the result of these efforts and is available in the event we need to implement e-learning in the future. Just as our In-Person Learning Plan is a living document, this E-Learning Plan is subject to change depending upon current conditions.

We know that our parents are the first teachers of their children. In the case of e-learning, we have added specific responsibilities for making sure each student is participating in classes. During the transition times to remote learning or back to in-class learning, we realize that adults set the tone for their children. We ask that parents familiarize themselves with our E-Learning Plan and In-Person Learning Plan.

We want all of our students to give their best effort during e-learning or in-person learning. Remind your children that they are participating in an important time in our history. Children will be watching the reactions of the adults around them and will respond accordingly. We know that these are challenging times for all of us. We also know that it is okay that things aren't perfect. In the end, we want our students to learn and feel safe as we work through these temporary conditions. We thank you for partnering with us to provide the best possible instruction, which may include e-learning at some point in the future.

Guidelines for our e-learning plan are as follows.

- Mr. Coleman will send his SchoolMessenger morning video at 8:00 a.m. on Mondays and Fridays of each week if the whole school is on e-learning.
- All grade levels will begin the day with a morning meeting with their teacher to set structure to the day and to provide social and emotional support during these stressful and isolating times.
- Books and workbooks will be sent home or picked up at school as well as daily/weekly schedules and expectations for online Learning Management Systems (LMS). Last year we used Zoom, Google Meets, and Class Dojo. We are looking into several others including Schoology and Seesaw.
- Daily attendance will be taken during e-learning days. For students that see multiple teachers in one day (i.e. junior high students), attendance will be taken at the beginning of every synchronous meeting.
- Daily schedules will mimic the school day and be based upon 5 hours of instruction and independent work. Our goal is 2.5 hours of synchronous teaching of course content or live teaching with interaction of students. In Preschool, our goal is a total of 2.5 hours of instruction and independent work with 1 to 1.5 hours of that amount as live teaching. We will depend on teacher judgement to monitor this at the PreK level.
- Teachers will follow their typical, grade level year-long plans, adapted for e-learning.
- Consistent school-wide learning platforms will be used.
 - PreK - 1st: Class Dojo, Seesaw, or Zoom
 - 2nd-8th: Seesaw in lower grades/Google Classroom, Zoom, or Schoology 4th-8th. This is tentative.
- Students will receive regularly scheduled synchronous (face-to-face time) with their teachers in PreK-8th.
- Teaching will include a balance of small and large group instruction.
- All grade levels will take part in social/emotional learning (SEL) to support their emotional well-being.
- Regular assessment and feedback of work will be provided to students.
- Weekly schedules will include regularly scheduled specials classes including PE, Music, Library, Spanish, and Technology (times may vary depending on the final schedules).

Daily Schedules for Whole School E-Learning Monday - Friday

Important Note: All of the schedules below are drafts. **Final Grade Level Class E-Learning Schedules** will be completed closer to the beginning of school if needed.

Preschool

9:00-9:30am	Attendance/Morning Meeting/SEL/Religion (whole group)
9:30-10:00am	Break/Snack/Bathroom
10:00-10:30am	Small Group 1 (small group/meet every day)
10:30-11:00am	Small Group 2 (small group/meet every day)
11:00-11:30am	Small Group 3 (small group/meet every day)
11:30am-12:00pm	Story Time (whole group)
12:00-1:00pm	Lunch/Recess
1:00-2:30pm	Rest Time
2:30pm	End of Day Meeting/Prayer

Kindergarten

9:00-10:00am	Attendance/Morning Meeting/SEL/Religion/Literacy Lesson (whole group)
10:00-10:30am	Break/Snack/Bathroom
10:30-11:00am	Small Group 1 Literacy/ Math/ Writing Varies (meets every day)
11:00-11:30am	Small Group 2 Literacy/Math/Writing (meets every day)
11:30-12:00pm	Small Group 3 Literacy/Math/Writing (meets every day)
12:00-1:00pm	Lunch/ Recess
12:30-1:30pm	Independent work based on lessons/ I-Ready
1:30-2:00pm	Religion
2:00-2:30pm	Special
2:30pm	End of Day Meeting / Prayer

Grade 1

8:45-9:30am	Attendance/Morning Meeting/SEL/Religion (whole group)
9:30-10:00am	Break/Snack/Bathroom
10:00-10:30am	Literacy Group 1 (small group/meet every day) Writing
10:30-11:00am	Literacy Group 2 (small group/meet every day) Writing
11:00-11:30am	Literacy Group 3 (small group/meet every day) Writing
11:30am-12:00pm	Math (whole group)
12:00-1:00pm	Lunch/Recess
1:00-1:30pm	Math Independent practice or i-Ready Math
1:30-2:00pm	Science or Social Studies
2:00-2:30pm	Special
2:30pm	End of Day Meeting/Prayer

Grades 2-4

	2nd	3rd	4th
8:45- 9:15	Attendance/ Morning Meeting/ SEL/Religion (whole group)	Attendance/ Morning Meeting/ SEL/Religion (whole group)	Attendance/ Morning Meeting/ SEL/Religion (whole group)
9:15- 9:30	Break and gather materials.	Break and gather materials.	Break and gather materials.
9:30- 10:15	Literacy- (9:30-11:00) (small groups /meet every day) Writing	Math-Whole group intro followed by small group work or i-Ready	Reading-Whole group intro followed by small group work
10:15- 10:30		Break and gather materials.	Break and gather materials.
10:30- 11:00		Special	Special
11:00- 11:45	Math with Ms. Fricano	Reading with Mrs. Rosenbusch	LA- Grammar/ Writing/ Vocab
11:45- 12:45	Lunch/Recess	Lunch/Recess	Lunch/Recess
12:45- 1:45	12:45- 1:15 Social Studies/ Science 1:15- 1:45 i-Ready	LA- Grammar/ Writing/ Vocab with Mrs. Cerjak	Math-Whole group intro followed by small group work or i-Ready with Ms. Fricano
1:45- 2:00	Snack	Break and gather materials.	Break and gather materials.
2:00- 2:30	Special	Social Studies/ Science	Science
2:30- 3:00	End of Day Meeting/ Prayer	End of Day Meeting/ Prayer	Social Studies/Prayer

Grades 5-8

	5th	6th	7th	8th
8:30 - 8:45	Homeroom/ Attendance/ SEL	Homeroom/ Attendance/ SEL	Homeroom/ Attendance/ SEL	Homeroom/ Attendance/ SEL
9:00-9:30	Math	S S	Special	Read
9:45 - 10:15	Read	Math	Science	Special
10:30 - 11:00	Science	Read	S S	Math
11:15 - 11:45	S S	Special	Read	Science
11:45 - 12:45	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
12:45 - 1:15	Special	Science	Math	S S
1:30 - 2:00	English	Religion/ Family Life/ SEL	English	Religion/ Family Life/ SEL
2:15 - 2:45	Religion/ Family Life/ SEL	English	Religion/ Family Life/ SEL	English