

**WCSD Short-Term Closure Plan**  
**Elementary (K-5)**  
**Parent FAQ**  
**2021-2022**

**Elementary (K-5)**

If the Warren County School District schools have a short-term closure, elementary students (K-5) will be taught virtually by their regular teachers using the Virtual Academy.

The courses that are set up in this online learning platform include the following: English Language Arts (K-5), Mathematics (K-5), Science (3-5), Social Studies (3-5), Health (3-5), and Specials: Art, Library, Music, and Physical Education (K-5).

**1. What are the expectations of students if a school building or the entire district has to close?**

- Current Virtual Academy Option 2 students will remain Virtual Academy Option 2 students.
- Current students attending brick and mortar schools will utilize the WCSD Virtual Academy and will be instructed by their current classroom teachers throughout each school day, Monday through Friday during normal school hours. Their teachers will not change. Live lessons will take place daily, and student attendance will be recorded each day.

**2. What can I expect my child to bring home with him/her if a school building or the entire district has to close?**

Students will bring home following:

- a. Laptop or iPad
- b. Laptop or iPad Charger
- c. Daily Individual Student Schedules (K-5)
- d. Students' own school supplies from desk
- e. Login Procedures for Laptop Device with username and password
- f. Login Procedures for Virtual Academy with username and password
- g. Tech help email address

### 3. What platform will be used to deliver instruction for elementary students?

The educational platform used for elementary students (K-5) will be the Warren County School District Virtual Academy. Students were taught how to access and utilize the Virtual Academy platform.

### 4. How do I get to the Virtual Academy login page?

Students will access the Warren County School District website at [www.wcsdpa.org](http://www.wcsdpa.org). Then, students will click on **For Students** at the top of the page. Students will then scroll to the link that states **Virtual Academy Login**. Students will be redirected to the Virtual Academy and will login into their online learning courses. There will be a more detailed set of directions sent home in the event of a closure. These detailed directions will also be posted on the district website at [www.wcsdpa.org](http://www.wcsdpa.org).

### 5. What is my child's username and password to login to the Virtual Academy?

Username and passwords will be sent home with your child. The username and password for the Virtual Academy is the district-provided username and password.

- The username usually is the student's last name, first two initials of first name, and then first initial of middle name.
  - Username example: James Charles Kerns would be ***kernsjac***
- The password usually is the student's ID number followed by wcsd! Don't forget to include the exclamation point at the end of the password.
  - Password example: ***49282wcsd!***

### 6. What is the Daily Individualized Student Schedule?

The Daily Individualized Student Schedule outlines your child's daily schedule and provides the specific times your child needs to attend live lessons with his/her teachers. **Students will have multiple live lessons each day, and they need to attend at their designated times throughout the day.**

### 7. How will my child attend live lessons?

Zoom links to each teacher's Zoom Room are accessible through your child's Virtual Academy landing page. Students will click on the correct link at their designated times to attend the live Zoom lessons. Live lesson times are listed on your child's Daily Individualized Student Schedule.

**8. If closure becomes necessary, will my child still have his/her specials classes like gym, art, and music?**

All specials courses are located on the Virtual Academy platform and will be taught by the specials teachers.

**9. How will my child know what to do on the first day they login to the Virtual Academy at home?**

Your child's courses have been assigned to him/her in the Virtual Academy. Once logged in, your child will be able to see his/her courses on the landing page. Your child will follow his/her schedule and complete the coursework and live lessons according to the schedule.

**10. How will I know how my child is doing within the Virtual Academy?**

Work will be assessed in the Virtual Academy and grades will be reflected in eSchool. Parents will be able to view progress by accessing the Home Access Center.

**11. Will special education teachers and case managers continue to work with my child if they do so in school?**

Yes. Each special education teacher/case manager will make contact with their students' parents and discuss any specific needs during the time of the school closure.

**12. Will school counselors be available to help my child?**

Yes. School counselors will help progress monitor and support students who may be struggling or are lacking progress within the Virtual Academy. They will also be made available for individual counseling sessions or other student needs.

**ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE**

Email for any technical issues: [helpme.wcsdpa.org](mailto:helpme.wcsdpa.org) or call 814-723-6900 option 7

Email for any issues logging into or using the Virtual Academy: Contact the classroom teacher.