



eLearning Day Overview and FAQs for K-12 Families

QUESTION	EXPLANATION
<p>What is an eLearning Day and why did District 87 choose to implement this practice?</p>	<p>eLearning Days are intended to provide access to learning on days when there are school cancellations. While these days cannot replace the face-to-face time students have with their teachers, it can provide continuous learning when school is cancelled. eLearning Days also eliminate the need for makeup days at the end of the school year. Last year, we surveyed families and over 85% of the respondents said they valued the eLearning day option.</p>
<p>What will a typical eLearning day look like for a student in kindergarten through fifth grade?</p>	<p>Lessons will be sent home by your teacher prior to an eLearning day. Please keep these materials in a safe place in case an eLearning day is needed. Materials will also be posted on your school's website. Teachers will create lessons for the following subjects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 60 min. each: ELA and Math ● 30 min. each: Art, PE, Music, Social Studies, Science and IMC.
<p>What will a typical eLearning day look like for a student in 6-12th grade?</p>	<p>Students in grades 6-12 will utilize their district-issued computer or personal device in order to access their assignments and expectations on an eLearning Day. Staff will post their course expectations by 8:30 a.m. on the eLearning day. Students will access materials as they do normally via email, Google Classroom or other portal. Course work may include but is not limited to online discussions, quizzes/assessments, online readings, completing assignments using digital resources. In some cases, students may be directed to complete offline activities such as textbook readings or other assignments.</p>
<p>What if I'm not available during the day to assist my student?</p>	<p>Students should be able to complete lessons by themselves. Students need to complete assignments before returning to school. This allows families to decide when and where the work can be completed.</p>
<p>How will my family be notified that schools are closed and eLearning days are in place?</p>	<p>The District will inform families of an eLearning day through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Skylert (Automated Phone call) ● Skyward Messenger (announcement in Skyward) ● Facebook /Twitter/Instagram ● Media outlets (WJBC, Pantagraph) ● District website

Will attendance be taken?	Attendance will be based on the completion of the work for eLearning Days. If your student does not have the necessary resources to complete the assignment, please let the teacher know.
When and how will teachers be available to answer questions?	Teachers will be available via email, Skyward or REMIND during an eLearning day from 8:30-1:30. They will inform you of the best method to reach them in the eLearning materials.
How long is my student expected to work?	<p>K-5 students:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 60 minutes each: ELA and Math ● 30 minutes each: Art, PE, Music, Social Studies, Science and IMC. <p>6-12: Approximately 43 minutes for each class period</p> <p>Some assignments will not take all students the entire time. If you feel your student is struggling to complete the work on time, please let the teacher know.</p>
What if my student doesn't complete the assignments?	If your student is not able to complete assignments on an eLearning day, please let your student's teacher know. They will be considered absent on that day and the teacher's makeup policy will be enforced.
What about students who are Language Learners?	Directions will be translated and sent home by the classroom teacher.
What about students with Individualized Education Plans (IEPs)?	Special education students will be provided with assignments that meet the requirements as outlined in their Individualized Education Plan (IEPs).
How can families give feedback to the district about eLearning Days?	District 87 values family input and will send out a survey at the completion of an eLearning day for feedback.
Who do we contact for tech support with a district-issued device?	<p>District 87 will operate a technical helpdesk which can be accessed by all users in the following ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● https://helpdesk.district87.org ● Call 309.828.7115 ● Zoom support at https://district87.zoom.us/my/elearnsupport <p>If the power or internet goes out, please let your child's teacher know via written notice or phone call when possible.</p>