Sebeka Public School e-Learning Day Frequently Asked Questions

What is an "e-Learning" day?

In the event of school closure due to inclement weather, an e-Learning day can be used in place of a school day. An e-Learning day means that students will complete learning activities and assignments provided by the teacher at home. Students will receive learning activities and assignments for each subject that would have originally taken place during a regular school day.

Why is Sebeka Public School exploring and preparing for the use of an "e-Learning" day?

With the resources available, and if prepared carefully, we can minimize the disruption to academic progress caused by unplanned school closures. E-Learning days are a continuation of curriculum and classroom instruction. Our plan is built upon the best practices of work already occurring in school districts across Minnesota while adhering to Minnesota Statutes.

How will parents, caregivers and students be notified that a snow day is now an e-Learning day?

Parents, caregivers, students, and staff will be notified through the district's school messenger system. The school will also post it on its Facebook page and school website.

What about preschoolers on an e-Learning day?

There will be no expectations for preschoolers to complete activities on an e-Learning day.

When will teachers be available?

Teachers will be available to students from 10:00 am- 3:00 pm by email, Google Meets, or Remind. Staff will respond to emails and messages in a timely manner. If a student/parent/caregiver cannot contact a teacher due to a lack of internet connectivity, they have two days to complete all assignments given on an inclement weather day.

Is attendance taken for an e-Learning day?

Yes.

Teachers may have a question for students to answer for attendance. If a student does not complete the assignments by the due date, they will be counted as an unexcused absence for the inclement weather day and may not earn participation points on the assignment according to the teacher's classroom procedure.

What if a student does not complete the e-Learning assignments?

Students will be given two days after the e-Learning day to complete and turn in assignments. Teachers will post the due date so students and parents are clear about when assignments are due. If a student does not complete the assignments by the due date, they will be counted as an unexcused absence for the inclement weather day and may lose participation points on the

assignment according to the teacher's classroom procedure. Students/parents should contact the classroom teacher to communicate extenuating circumstances that prohibit their child from completing the assignment satisfactorily.

What if a student does not have access to a computer and/or the internet to access the lesson or complete activities?

A student can obtain the assignment in a hard copy or electronic version before or on the next regular school day. Either way, students have two days to complete the required learning activities and assignments.

What if there is only one computer in the house but multiple students?

Students may need to share resources in the home or other locations. Some students may want to work on offline options while others complete online assignments.

Can families choose to opt-out of e-Learning days?

Students whose family chooses to not participate in the e-Learning day are reported as absent. It is up to the school whether to consider this an excused absence, according to Minnesota Statutes, section 120A.22, subdivision 12.