

	<b>Please provide any additional questions. We will do our best to respond to them based on available information at this time. These will be included in a FAQ section on our website, where applicable.</b>
Q	My students ask: what about hands-on classes such as art, PE, and shop?
A	We are assessing how we will address non-core classes. However, core academics will be our primary focus initially. Core classes may be addressed as optional or supplemental initially.
Q	How will IEP and related education services/plans be completed? ECSE Services?
A	Please look for specific details related to IEP and ECSE to be delivered directly.
Q	There are two things on my mind as we go forward - state testing...Will this be pardoned? Summer school...if we are cleared to return, will this still happen? My family relies on the funds from summer school, and I know many students/families rely on the \$100 to purchase school supplies for the following year, clothing, etc.
A	State Testing will most likely be pardoned by the state if we experience a prolonged break, although that has not yet been confirmed.
A	It is too early to determine how Summer School will be impacted, however, the district will make every attempt to hold a Summer /June session if we are able.
Q	Classes with labs?
A	We will assess labs as our teachers plan for the virtual setting. Labs may be difficult to deliver virtually, by their nature.
Q	Will the last day of school be extended based on the closure?
A	This will be fully dependent on how the state handles this situation / Summer School / etc. At this time, our initial plan is to return to school as normal as soon as possible, and end learning for the 2019-2020 school year no later than June 30, including Summer School.
Q	How will parents be held accountable to help their children progress? Will the student's teacher still be available to assist in assignments? Will there be a simple guide to help parents work with their kids on school work?
A	We will expect the best our parents are able to provide. Current survey results indicate a strong commitment, as we expected.
A	The district will provide support and guidance for parents to assist with instruction.
Q	If we do no further learning, what about advancing to the next grade? I assume these days are all forgiven somehow by the state because of the issue at hand? What about MAP testing? Don't those scores help the school out somehow?
A	We anticipate any prolonged closure will result in the state forgiving the days. Promotion to the next grade will be expected, with parents having the option to retain their child if they believe it is best.
A	We anticipate any prolonged closure will result in the state foregoing state testing. The test does not impact the district in any significant way.
Q	As a Special Education Case Manager I am concerned with upcoming annual IEPs that are coming due and would we be able to also do them virtually and how that would look.
A	We will work this plan and deliver guidance on this ASAP.
Q	If the school district decides to not pursue virtual learning, will this potentially effect my child moving on to the next grade?
A	No. But we will expect parents and students to put forward a good-faith effort to engage in their learning during this time.

Q	How will MAP testing work? Is bringing the students in one grade at a time and option? If the students don't go back to school, will they still pass to the next grade?
A	While Knob Noster Public Schools has been at or near the top of the region on MAP testing for the last four years, MAP testing has not been our top priority and it will not be a significant concern during this crisis.
Q	Will tutoring be offered? and what about children that receive special services like speech therapy and things of that nature?
A	Yes, tutoring will be offered through Tutor.com and most likely from KNPS teachers.
A	IEP issues will be addressed directly in the near future.
Q	Virtual town-hall would be great! Is that an option?
A	Possibly. Right now we are working on written data so that we may respond to all inquiries and quantify our plan.
Q	Is there a way to retrieve a trumpet from school? And have it delivered curb side or other pick up option for Kaden Strickland at the middle school.
A	Please email me direct to let me know if this is school or personal property.
Q	If Knob Noster ended school immediately with no further learning, would they move forward to the next grade at the beginning of the year next year (provided they are passing each class currently)?
A	Yes, unless parents chose to retain OR unless there are existing concerns prior to the shut down. We will focus on remediation services throughout this process.
Q	Jostens scheduled to deliver invitations March 27 and now no school. Are they willing to give refunds if schools do not have Graduations. We have a lot of money invested at this time. Would be nice to put that money towards other things if not able to use.
A	We plan for some type of commencement for the class of 2020. We will assess options on refunds for these items, but encourage you to consider that this will occur in some manner.
Q	Classified duties?
A	Classified duties will continue but may be altered to meet various needs of the district.
Q	Will 4th quarter and/or semester grades be pass or fail for grades K-8 where classes aren't required for graduation? How will 8th grade students in AP courses be affected? How will students be held accountable for work assigned knowing that some students and possibly teachers do not have strong internet signals at home?
A	We are working on how to best address all learners and class situations.
S	None. As a Licensed Professional Counselor in Missouri and child mental health specialist, I am willing to provide crisis counseling services via tele-counseling in a HIPAA compliant platform for any school district staff free of charge.
A	Thank you!!!!
Q	If the students do choose to travel out of the local area, will they have to remain out of school upon returning, provided we are back in school.
A	No. Unless they travel to a country or state that is or becomes restricted by the government.
Q	How will we be able to register for kindergarten?
A	As we move through this situation, we will look down the road to address issues like this one. Rest assured, we will enroll the Knob Noster Class of 2033 and beyond and we look forward to celebrating their first day of school with them, as we have all Kindergarten students over the last several years. It is one of our most enjoyable days of the year!

Q	How will AR goals be achieved? Also, I have a child with seizures/epilepsy and requires limited screen time, can I provide her alternative assignments, such as book reports, math papers or games?
A	AR goals will take a back seat to core academics. We will look at how this fits into this model. We are also working on a tiered screen time approach for all learners. Please work with your child's teachers and team regarding alternate assignments. We will be attentive to those needs.
Q	Will we need to repurchase school supplies since our childrens are at school?
A	We are still assessing at this point. We are hesitant to place any supplies (other than basic needs like food etc) into the home becuase we do not want to open an opportunity to infect your home. You may need to purchase additional supplies...we are assessing this situation and may leave it to parent discretion if we open the opportunity to pick up supplies.
Q	How will credit for classes such as Weights that requires physical participation be handled?
A	We plan to award credit once guidance from the state is received.
Q	I am a little concerned about the dual credit classes. What if my student needs extra help? Is UCM going to be flexible?
A	UCM has said Dual credit students should follow their school closure. We will assess and communicate options. In the meantime, we have free tutoring available through tutor.com
Q	My daughter also has personal stuff in her locker, how do I get that back?
A	We will devise a plan to return critical personal items asap, and all personal items when the situation allows.
Q	Do in need to enroll my child in homeschool to Make sure her year counts? Is there a chance the school year could end?
A	No, you do not need to enroll in homeschool to ensure she matriculates to the next grade. Yes, school could be done for this academic year. It is too early to say for sure.
Q	I want my HS student to not have his credits messed up or ruined if school stops, if they can curve it than yes much easier, if other kids dont do homework will this affect grade averages. I feel this will be tough but if they start this way I rather finish school year online. What about outside sports?
A	We will apply credits in alignment with state guidance, once received.
A	Outside sports are suspended until further notice.
Q	Does a parent need to pick up the meals, or would my driving teen be able to pick up?
A	Yes, a student may pick up meals for the family.
Q	What suggestions do you have for physical education at home?
A	Jumping jacks, sit ups, push ups, and a jog.
Q	As I have a class of 2020 senior, I am wondering what will happen with AP testing and graduation.
A	Graduation will occur in some form depending on the circumstances. Our desire would be to hold a formal commencement as normal, if the situation allows.
A	We will develop and communicate a plan regarding AP testing....perhaps virtual.
Q	I am a substitute. Is there any chance I can work a little and help out safely?
A	We will assess this situation and see what options exist to contribute. Please stand by.

Q	We've already paid for csp& & gowns/announcements that are supposed to be in the 27th, what is going to happen with that?
A	I suggest you hold for now, as we will hold some type of commencement one way or the other.
	What happens to the student athletes that have been waiting for this year to play and hope to earn scholarships in their sport? (My son) had an amazing year in football and was hoping to continue that with tennis. Can sports possibly be moved into summer?
Q	Could the school year be pushed into summer the months instead of cancelling all together?
A	We will look at all options provided through MSHSAA guidance.
A	We will look at options to extend school through June 30, 2020.
Q	If School is canceled for the remainder of the year will we be able to pick up students work, supplies, and lunch money?
A	Yes, we will look for the best way to return all personal items when the time is safe. Lunch balances can be returned or carried forward.
	Would it be possible to split the student population so that half attend on an Orange day and the other half on a Black day so that it would be easier to provide social distancing space and vital face to face learning?
Q	Why cant school continue with a check of students to make sure no one has a fever?
A	These are all possibilities, but carry with them significant inherent risks of exposure.
Q	How will virtual classes be delivered? (Live or recorded)
A	We are still working that plan, but most likely both.
Q	My children are not adept to home school learning. Will the workload of virtual require more than 4.5 hours per day with a heavy assignment load? The distractions at home will overwhelm them.
A	We plan to scale the expectation for virtual and home learning, based on grade level. We will focus on the academic core (Communication Arts, Math, and Science) first.
Q	Is the breakfast/ lunch meals only apply to those who already receive free & or reduced meals? I know we normally supply our children with breakfast & lunch. As I work in the service industry, I will most likely be home with our children sooner then later.
A	No, as shared in our memo's and promotional materials, these meals are 100% free to all KNPS students, all individuals 18 years of age and under, and all individuals with Special Needs 21 and under.
S	Not a question but would volunteer to deliver lunches if school needing this service.
A	Thank you!!!!
	Will there still be AP tests for the high school students enrolled in AP classes? If there will be AP tests, will there be a way to continue to prepare the students for these tests?
Q	If school is closed for the year, how will a student's grades be compiled?
A	We are working on these options and will communicate a plan, once developed.
Q	My son is a band student and left his instrument at the school. Is there a way we can obtain his instrument so he will have it at home for practicing?
A	Please email me direct to let me know if this is school or personal property.

Q	If school was to close for the remainder of the school year— would the students pick up where they left off when it does start back, or would the student be granted a completion of the current grade since it's so late into the year? I'm just wondering how this would affect timing of starting the next school year.
A	We are working on details, but generally, we expect students will promote to the next grade level. Our response plan will include remedial support services.
Q	I'm personally concerned about my Special needs son. How will he manage at home learning via computers. This will be a real struggle for him at home, so I'm curious what the plan will be for him and other students like him.
A	Our Student Services staff will reach out with a plan to address IEP needs, once those plans are finalized.
Q	Are you guys planning on canceling school for the remainder of the year ? If not will school be virtual the rest of the year ? Also will there be any make up days ?
A	Our response will be contingent upon the scope of the issue/impact moving forward. We currently plan a hard stop for the academic year on June 30, including summer school.
Q	An alternative option would be to provide care and classroom activity for the lesser number of children who are needing childcare or do not have reliable learning environment at home.
Q	How does the plan to close affect the completion of the school year and grade levels?
A	That is a possibility, however carries inherent liability with it. We will assess options moving forward. We expect all students to promote to the next grade, unless parents request otherwise based on academic needs.
Q	What are the current plans for graduation for our high school senior?
A	We anticipate the state to provide guidance, allowing seniors in good standing to graduate. The district will be flexible to the fullest extent possible to allow students to graduate. We will plan and hold a commencement in some fashion for KNHS Class of 2020.
Q	Will our students be able to come get their belongings out of their lockers so they have their books to study at home?
A	We are working on this plan at this time. Look for more information to follow. We are being very attentive of any action which could possibly contaminate the school or households.
Q	Grade completion, kids with title 1 education, state testing, accountability for students education, working parents (I work in healthcare) and education of their kids.
A	I am unsure of the question, but Yes, these issues will all be addressed.
Q	Will there be any opportunity to send out work books/papers for student to do? We can do virtual school but sending home work would also benefit us greatly
A	We are working on that plan. We are concerned about any potential chance that the school could contribute to spreading contamination.
Q	We have internet in our home used for phones and streaming services we have (my son's) ipad (kindergarten) but our household does not have a computer will his tablet be enough? For virtual learning
A	Yes, it should be enough.
Q	My child is Special Needs with an IEP and requires additional help in the classroom as well as extend turn in time for assignments. Is this situation being addressed? Will there be access to additional help if parents are unable to help.
A	Yes, we are working on this plan and will communicate that to individual parents.
Q	How will virtual learning be? Is it homework packets or will it be teachers with videos teaching lessons?

A	We will plan a variety of options.
Q	What are the plans to address graduation for seniors?
A	We expect state guidance, but generally we expect seniors in good standing to graduate and also plan to hold some type of commencement.
Q	Could the district potentially not do summer school but instead use the month to make-up for the missed days during the school year? (If things are better with the Covid-19)
A	We will await state guidance, but we do anticipate using all days available through June 30 to make up lost time. This may include a summer term or summer school.
Q	If you cancel prom is it okay for parents to plan their own prom? Given the gatherings of less than 50 people is lifted by then.
A	We will not endorse or interfere with private events. However, we would restrict any such event from being associated with the district, prom, etc for liability reasons. This is a very kind offer for the students.
Q	For virtual learning. We have been unable to connect some of the apps to our home network. Can we bring the laptop to the school to look at or obtain guidance?
A	We are working on a plan to provide these services. Please look for additional information once available.
Q	If students are done for the rest of the 2019-2020 school year, how does this impact the 2020-2021 school year calendar? Will an early return or longer school year be discussed?
A	Most likely not, unless the state changes current law. The district is restricted on when it can start and we hold summer school most of the month of June. We may look at extending summer term to June 30 again in 2021.
Q	<p>I have questions regarding the virtual learning school.</p> <p>My questions are:</p> <p>What exactly are the expectations of the virtual learning, if that's the option we move forward with?</p> <p>Will students have to log in everyday from 8:00-3:00?</p> <p>Is it all strictly video lessons and then homework assigned?</p> <p>How long do they have for assignments to be turned in?</p> <p>If they have questions on an assignment, do they reach out to their teacher via email?</p> <p>If we don't do the virtual learning online, will students be pushed more and have more homework at the beginning of next school year?</p> <p>In my opinion, it sounds like a daunting task on the teachers side of it and as a parent to do all technology learning.</p> <p>My middle schooler is already stressing out about the thought of having Science Discovery Ed videos and questions to do every day if we move forward with virtual learning. I don't know if the frustrations that will most likely come along with technology learning outweigh the option of ending on a high note with no student known having COVID-19 and feeling accomplished for almost finishing up the school year.</p> <p>Once I hear more about the virtual learning option, I feel like I'll have more of an understanding and can form a better answer/opinion on these questions.</p>
A	These are great questions that we will address in our plan when it is rolled out. There will be an emphasis communicated to ALL teachers on ALL elements of our plan that we will be flexible, accommodating, and focused on NOT adding additional levels of stress on students or parents. Along with our parents, we want this process to be a good-faith effort to serve our students/children. These are all great questions that we will answer, but the most important thing I can stress is the framework of making this as seamless, reasonable, and balanced as possible for our families. Screen time and engagement time will have tiered targets based on the age of the student. This will be a team effort between students, parents, and teacher. Working together, we will get it done. More details to follow.

Q	<p>What happens if our children struggle with the online learning structure and do not pass for the rest of the year. My son has an 504 how will the district address his issues?</p> <p>Will the lessons plans take into consideration they are no longer in a classroom setting ? Will it be just busy work?</p> <p>Will y'all take into consideration that parents will have multiple kids doing this some in high school and we may be out of our depths in what we can help with?</p>
A	Yes, we have all these questions covered. Look for more information to follow after our teachers dig into this next week.
Q	My child is a senior, so have there been any conversations had about the high school graduation ceremony?
A	We anticipate state guidance allowing all seniors in good standing to graduate. That is the intent of the district. We will also plan some commencement event in the instance the current process is cancelled. We will postpone decisions regarding commencement until the last possible day, which could be up to a few days prior.
Q	If school is to start back up, how will YOU prevent my child from contracting this virus?
A	Should school start back up, attendance will be 100% left to the discretion of parents, as is the case during Flu, Snow Days, and all other days of the year. There is only one entity that has full control over whether your child contracts this virus, and I am not Him.
S	Please do not cancel graduation yet!!! Postpone and allow these students their Graduation.
A	We anticipate state guidance allowing all seniors in good standing to graduate. That is the intent of the district. We will also plan some commencement event in the instance the current process is cancelled. We will postpone decisions regarding commencement until the last possible day, which could be up to a few days prior.