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Start of School Year

The school year begins Wed. August 5 in a remote learning/distance learning environment through Monday, August 17, *or until safely able to return to in-person instruction*. MUSD recognizes that the

Governor may extend school closure beyond that date.



There is no sign-up required to start the school year through [Remote Learning](#). Families interested in Distance Learning are encouraged to carefully review the [webpage](#).

As we prepare and plan a comprehensive engaging Remote Learning and Distance Learning program, MUSD work is guided by the following Five Principles:

- Community Building & Connectedness
- Creativity & Critical Thinking
- Collaboration
- Communication
- Consistency

CONNECTEDNESS
COMMUNITY BUILDING
CREATIVITY & CRITICAL THINKING
COMMUNICATION
COLLABORATION
CONSISTENCY

Grab & Go Meals

Knowing many families rely on school meals for their student, MUSD is providing FREE Grab & Go Meals. Children may stop by a school, along a bus route, or Marana Cares Mobile to grab a FREE lunch and receive a breakfast meal for the following morning.



Free to all children 18 & under.

Offered Monday-Friday, excluding holidays.

Visit [Grab & Go website](#) for more information.

Guiding Principles

Community Building and Connectedness

- ◆ Opportunities for students to stay connected to their school community, peers, and teachers built into weekly schedule

Creativity and Critical Thinking

- ◆ Balanced opportunities for virtual direct instruction and independent learning activities
- ◆ Instruction aligned with comprehensive MUSD Curriculum
- ◆ Consistent platforms for instructional delivery across schools
- ◆ PE, Music, secondary electives
- ◆ Virtual resources

Collaboration

- ◆ MUSD Instructional Model
- ◆ Virtual tools will be applied that support student collaboration
- ◆ Teacher collaboration across grade levels and content areas

Communication

- ◆ Regular updates to District website
- ◆ Weekly communication with parents regarding schedule and required work products
- ◆ Regular and timely feedback for online learners
- ◆ Work products will be assessed and grades will be accessible in MUSD Connection

Consistency

- ◆ Students will follow a regular schedule during regular school hours
- ◆ Teachers will use the same online platform to provide resources to students
- ◆ Continued access to services that support all learners (SPED, Speech/Language, English Language Learning, Counseling, Health Office supports, Meals)

Next Steps

- Parent & Employee Handbook for Remote Learning
- Parent and Student Digital Citizenship Training
- Chromebook Distribution week of July 27
- Professional Learning Plan for Educators
- Parent, Teacher, and Student Focus Groups to continue to shape expectations and supports for Remote Learning

COMING SOON