

# SPEED S.E.J.A. e-Learning Plan March 2020

#### Introduction:

Public Act 101-0012 of the 101st Illinois General Assembly allows local school districts to establish e-Learning plans to address student learning in a remote environment. SPEED S.E.J.A. 802 can meet the statutory requirements in a manner that will allow students and families to access materials and digital tools to provide meaningful learning opportunities in remote locations. We will utilize e-Learning as a part of the plan to utilize Distance Learning on emergency days.

#### **Benefits of Distance Learning for Emergency Days:**

- Ensures the safety of students and staff on days of inclement weather or health advisory closings.
- Maintains the school calendar by not adding emergency days at the end of the school year to be made up.
- Avoid unexpected interruptions in learning and services provided to students.
- Promotes school and family collaboration on generalizing skills to the home environment.
- Promotes flexible learning in the digital age and learning beyond the schoolwalls.

#### SPEED S.E.J.A. Distance Learning Structure:

There are many ways that a local school district can implement e-Learning. SPEED's goal is to offer distance learning that will provide legitimate learning experiences and opportunities that will advance learning for each individual child. Some of the learning experiences may happen in an e-Learning structure, while other learning experiences will not. Students served by SPEED will have distance learning plans that align with their IEP goals as determined by the child's IEP team.

Distance learning experiences will be accessible through postings on Remind learning management system or alternative communication (i.e. e-mail, google, or phone) as deemed appropriate by the IEP team. Distance learning lessons will be based on the student's IEP. In addition to providing core academic support, we will utilize distance learning to include teaching strategies that support sensory needs, student independence, self-advocacy, daily living skills, and physical movement.

For students who receive related services minutes in their IEP, it may be necessary for the District to provide services at an alternate time upon the return to school.

#### Procedure to Initiate Distance Learning Days:

If SPEED decides to use a Distance Learning Day on an emergency day of school closure, all SPEED staff and families will be informed via School Messenger. Student learning and support from staff will begin at 9:00 am. SPEED licensed staff will be available for student support from 9:00am-12:00pm and 1:00pm-3:00pm. A Distance Learning Day will count as a regular attendance day for all students.

#### **Expectations for SPEED Staff:**

IEP Teams must collaborate and determine an appropriate Distance Learning plan for each student, aligned to their IEP. Moving forward, these plans should be discussed at each student's annual review.

#### **Special Education Teacher Responsibilities:**

Individualized contact will be made with each student on each Distance Learning Day. \*Teachers will document student/family support using a phone contact log. With the assistance of their multi-disciplinary team, a distance learning plan should be created, appropriate for each student in the classroom. These learning plans can include: videos, hands-on activities, sensory suggestions, reading response activities, etc. Teachers will also be supported with resources and suggested learning opportunities from their respective building administration.

#### Teachers' schedule:

8:15am - 8:45am Planning and Prep

8:45am - 11:45am Student/Family Support

11:45am - 12:45pm Lunch

12:45pm - 2:45pm Student/Family Support

2:45pm - 3:15pm Planning and Prep

#### Related Service Provider Responsibilities:

Individualized contact will be made with each student each day that the related service would have been provided. Occupational Therapists, Speech Therapists, Physical Therapists, Social Workers, and Psychologists along with other service providers should operate as consultants and support to teachers when developing distance learning plans for students. \*Related Service Providers will also document student/family support using a phone contact log. If the student does not have access to related services over multiple days, it may be necessary to provide services in a compensatory fashion upon return to school. Related service providers will also be supported with resources and suggested learning opportunities from their respective building administrators.

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#### **Classified Staff Responsibilities:**

There may be different expectations for different employees depending on the nature of their work. It is important for supervisors to clearly communicate expectations to employees for Distance Learning Days. Your schedule for the day should include a minimum of 5 hours of work time and a one-hour lunch/breaks.

In general, these are the options for Distance Learning, to be determined in collaboration and with approval of supervisors:

- 1. Employees who are required to be on site due to maintenance, snow removal, or cleaning needs will have timing and expectations communicated to them via normal channels.
- 2. Some ESPs will have clearly defined responsibilities during the work day to support students, as prescribed by the student's IEP and/or directed by the teacher, or they will have a professional learning opportunity in order to be paid for the day of work. More information for staff distance learning options can be found at <a href="https://www.gcntraining.com">www.gcntraining.com</a>.
- 3. Employees who do not have a clear role to support students or teachers on the Distance Learning Day will be required to complete staff distance professional learning options found at <a href="https://www.gcntraining.com">www.gcntraining.com</a> in order to be paid.

<sup>\*</sup>Does not apply to Act of God Days



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iPhone & Android users:

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- Follow prompts to launch set up
- Choose your Google Voice phone number (you will need to enter your phone number in order to activate the Google number)

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# English Language Arts Educational Websites and Skilled Learning



Starfall's emphasis on phonemic awareness, systematic sequential phonics, and common sight words in conjunction with audiovisual interactivity has proven effective in teaching emergent readers. Starfall activities are research-based and align with Individual and Common Core State Standards in English language arts and mathematics.



ABCya provides over 400 fun and educational games for grades PreK through 6. Our activities are designed by parents and educators, who understand that children learn better if they are having fun. Games are categorized by grade and subject, and cover topics such as multiplication, parts of speech, typing, pattern recognition, and more.

We even have games that are just plain fun (and safe) to play! With so much variety, there is sure to be something for kids at all learning levels and styles.



HelpKidzLearn is a collection of software for young children and those with learning difficulties to play online. The software is split into five sections: Early Years, Games and Quizzes, Stories and Songs, Creative Play & Find Out About.



Reading aloud to children has been shown to improve reading, writing and communication skills, logical thinking and concentration, and general academic aptitude, as well as inspire a lifelong love of reading.

Created for kids in grades Pre-K through 8, Funbrain.com has been the leader in free educational games for kids since 1997. Funbrain offers hundreds of games, books, comics, and videos that develop skills in math, reading, problem-solving and literacy.

### English Language Arts Educational Apps



Bitsboard is available to download for free and allows Bitsboard app iTunes logousers to create their own study sets or download study sets from classmates and teachers. Upon downloading the app, you'll have access to the Bitsboard catalog which features thousands of flashcards and lessons covering hundreds of topics (available via In-App Purchase).



BrainPop is a group of educational websites with over 1,000 short animated movies for students in grades K-12, together with quizzes and related materials, covering the subjects of science, social studies, English, math, engineering and technology, health, and arts and music



Epic! is the #1 children's digital library for kids 12 and under, offering access to over 35,000 high-quality books for kids, learning videos, reading quizzes and more. It's an unlimited reading library your child can take anywhere!

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# Mathematics **Educational Websites and Skilled Learning**



SplashLearn is transforming the way elementary school children in grades K-5 learn and study math through a highly engaging, and personalized program.



Free, online math games and more at MathPlayground.com! Problem solving, logic games and number puzzles kids love to play.



Using NUMBEROCK videos in this way, you'll transform your classroom into a multi-sensory learning environment, resulting in an amazing amount of energy and enthusiasm being brought into your math lessons. Our goal is to find the perfect blend of pure fun and emotional engagement, while never sacrificing the educational merit of the lesson.



Education.com has everything parents and teachers need for kids to succeed in math, reading, writing, and science from PreK-5.

### Mathematics Educational Apps



Bitsboard is available to download for free and allows Bitsboard app iTunes logousers to create their own study sets or download study sets from classmates and teachers. Upon downloading the app, you'll have access to the Bitsboard catalog which features thousands of flashcards and lessons covering hundreds of topics (available via In-App Purchase).



Kids will have a blast learning number recognition, sequences, quantity, numerical patterns, and simple addition with the adorable Endless monsters. Each number features interactive sequences and equation puzzles with numbers that come alive, and a short animation that provides context and meaning to each number.

# Core Vocabulary Board

## What is it?

- © Core vocabulary are the words we use most frequently in everyday speaking! Words such as: I, you, like, what, it, go...
- At Speed, we created a core vocabulary board layout so students and staff have access to the same vocabulary all day everyday! Whether in the classroom, cafeteria or gym, students who have challenges communicating have access to a core communication board and our educators model how to use it!



## How do we use it at home?

Model, model! In order for our students to learn to communicate using a core vocabulary board, we need to communicate with them by using the same boards! By having a core board at home, parents & caregivers can point to the words as you say them and consistently model the language we want our students to use, throughout their day! It takes many repetitions to learn a new skill.

## FAQ

- What about nouns like cookie, movie, and Grandma? Don't we need to teach those words too?
  - Nouns are part of "fringe vocabulary". These are words that are used much less frequently and are very specific to each individual. Even though these words are not on our "core vocabulary" boards, we are still teaching and using these words naturally in everyday situations when we point to something and say the name of it.

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#### **COMMUNICATION APPS**

#### iDevice Free or Lite AAC Apps

- 1. AlexiCom AAC
- 2. Answers: Yes/No Free
- 3. Assistive TTS
- 4. Augie Free (Free version not currently available in US)
- 5. Autism 5-Point Scale EP (Autism Help)
- 6. Com App
- 7. Comunicador Personal Adaptable(Spanish)
- 8. Communicate Mate Female
- 9. Communicate Mate Male
- 10. Connect Cards
- 11. **DIME Lite**
- 12. Fat Cat Fast 20
- 13. Fat Cat Pirate Chat
- 14. FreeSpeech
- 15. Functional Communication System Lite
- 16. Gabby Tabs Lite
- 17. Go Talk Now Free (NEW)
- 18. Grid Player
- 19. iBlissymbols Lite
- 20. iComm Education
- 21. iPhonic Lite
- 22. iPicto Lite
- 23. Locabulary Lite
- 24. MetaTalk Lite
- 25. My Choice Pad Lite
- 26. My Talking Phone
- 27. MyTalk Tools
- 28. Neo Julie (also Kate and Paul)
- 29. Noni Lite
- 30. Nonverbal Communication for Autism-NOCOA (Japanese; NEW)
- 31. OneVoice-AAC
- 32. PandaPal AAC
- 33. PhotoTell Lite(NEW)
- 34. PhotoVOCA Free (NEW)
- 35. Phrase Board
- 36. Pic A Word
- 37. Pics Aloud Lite
- 38. Picture Card Maker
- 39. Picture Board
- 40. PocketAAC-Lite
- 41. Point to Pictures Lite
- 42. Say Hi AAC
- 43. SayItForMe Lite (NEW)

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- 44. Scan to Pictures Lite (NEW)
- 45. See and Say Lite
- 46. Scene & Heard Lite
- 47. Small Talk Aphasia (Male & Female)
- 48. Small Talk Conversational Phrases
- 49. Small Talk Daily Activities
- 50. Small Talk Intensive Care
- 51. Small Talk Pain Scale
- 52. Smart AAC (NEW)
- 53. Sounding Board
- 54. SFY Speak4Youself Lite (Pulled from iTunes but may be reinstated)
- 55. Speech Button
- 56. Speech Buttons Free
- 57. Sono Flex Lite
- 58. Speak All
- 59. Speak for Yourself LAT Kids
- 60. Spubble Lite
- 61. Talk Assist
- 62. Talking Cards Lite
- 63. Talking Text
- 64. Talk Tommy
- 65. Talk to Me 100 (free version has 9 locations)
- 66. Talk 4 Me
- 67. Tap to Talk
- 68. Touch Chat Lite
- 69. Verbally
- 70. VocaBeans EN
- 71. VoiceSymbol AAC

#### Free or Lite AAC Apps for Android Devices

- 1. AAC Speech Communicator (French, English)
- 2. AAC Talking Tabs
- 3. Alexicomm for Android (30+ free pages)
- 4. Autism Speech Diego Says
- 5. **BoxofWords Free (NEW)**
- 6. **DroidSpeaker** (NEW)
- 7. Free AAC
- 8. FalaFacil DiegoDiz (Portuguese)
- 9. FreeSpeech
- 10. Gabby Tabs Lite: AAC for Kids
- 11. HablaFacil DiegoDice (Spanish)
- 12. Help Talk (NEW)
- 13. iToucan Talk
- 14. JABTalk
- 15. LangLearner Speaker
- 16. MyVoice MyWords Tablet
- 17. Niki Talk (NEW)
- 18. PhotoVOCA (NEW)
- 19. Pic-See Lite (NEW)

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- 20. PictoDroid Lite (Spanish, English)
- 21. Pictograms (NEW)
- 22. Plaphoons for Android Beta (NEW)
- 23. Point Talker Free (NEW)
- 24. Sono Flex Lite
- 25. SpeakForMe Free
- 26. Speaking Pad
- 27. Speech Assistant (NEW)
- 28. Talk Android
- 29. Talk 2 All (for phone communication)
- 30. Tap Talk Free
- 31. Tap to Talk
- 32. Touch and Go Speak
- 33. Touch-n-Say
- 34. Two Speak
- 35. Type and Speak
- 36. VirtualTEC
- 37. Virtual Voice (NEW)
- 38. Vocal Slides



#### Dear Families:

We believe that student success comes from continuous learning. E-Learning is a great resource that gives you an option to access the various resources our school provides. It is a very efficient way of delivering courses **online**. We feel it is important to give students opportunities to practice the skills they have learned at school. In response, we have created an E - Learning resource packet that students can work on while they are at home. Please review the student assignments given by their teachers. In addition, encourage them to complete their web-based assignments to support their learning. For your convenience we have attached their usernames and log-ins for Blue Streak and Study Island.

### Our web based programs to support learning:

# BLUESTREAK

The Future of Fact Fluency for all students here. Bluestreak is a digital educational tool that excites and ignites students in developing fast math skills and mastery of fact fluency through a themed centered approach.

Study Island Study Island is a leading academic software provider of standards-based assessment, instruction, and test preparation e-learning programs.

#### Additional Educational Websites:

PBS Kids

https://pbskids.org/

Each of the educational shows your children watch on PBS has its own learning section through PBSKids.org. Try sing-along songs, sorting and <u>counting games</u>, watch videos, and more.

#### Starfall

https://www.starfall.com/

When a mom mentions she's looking for some great educational websites for her kids, it's not long before Starfall.com is mentioned. The site has been online since 2002 and works with your children from letter recognition to reading plays, nonfiction, and comics.

#### **CoolMath**

https://www.coolmath.com/

CoolMath.com calls itself "an amusement park of <u>math</u> and more." Children can play online math games that help them with addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, decimals, money and more. CoolMath is geared toward ages 13 and up, but sister site CoolMath4Kids.com is appropriate for ages 3 through 12. CoolMath-Games.com includes math games for preschoolers.

#### TIME for Kids

https://www.timeforkids.com/

From the publishers of TIME magazine, TIMEforKids.com is loaded with interesting articles, photos, and videos. Politics, the environment, entertainment, sports, and health are just some of the topics covered. TIME for Kids isn't as interactive as most of the other website on this list of educational websites for kids, but the site does tackle subjects that are in the news now while being written for an audience of children.

#### National Geographic

https://kids.nationalgeographic.com/

Watch animal cameras, learn interesting tidbits about animals, see and share photos of nature, learn about different countries and try science experiments on Kids.NationalGeographic.com. These activities don't even begin to scratch the surface of the National Geographic Kids website. There's also a "Little Kids" section for the younger explorers in your home.

#### The KIDZ Page

http://thekidzpage.com/

TheKidzPage.com has more than 5,000 pages of learning games and activities. Online coloring pages, jigsaw puzzles and word games are just a few sections of this massive site. Each holiday has its own section of activities and games to enjoy with your children.

#### How Stuff Works

https://www.howstuffworks.com/

When your child wants to know why the sky is blue, how a tornado forms, or any number of other questions she can come up with on a daily basis, head on over to How Stuff Works. The articles break down subjects like autos, culture, entertainment, science, money, technology and more. Games, quizzes, and videos also round out your children's learning experience.

#### Fun Brain

https://www.funbrain.com/

One visit to Fun Brain and you'll want to bookmark it for your kids. Math, reading, online books and learning games are just some of the site's many treats. Fun Brain caters to preschoolers through 8th graders.

#### Nick Jr.

http://www.nickjr.com/

If you can look past the ads, you'll find printables, games and other activities your kids will enjoy at NickJr.com. The games allow your children to explore their creativity, play dress-up, learn new music, put together puzzles and work on numbers and shape recognition.

#### **Scholastic**

#### https://www.scholastic.com/kids/home/

Scholastic is one of the more unique educational websites for kids. This site, from the publishers of the educational books you find in schools, contains activities broken up by grades. Pre-K learners all the way up to seniors in high school can find learning activities geared toward them.

#### Exploratorium

https://www.exploratorium.edu/

It's hard to narrow the list of <u>science websites</u> because there are so many great resources. But San Francisco's Exploratorium at the Palace of Fine Arts showcases a website that teaches kids about science and art in new ways. The departments let kids tinker with gadgets, go below the sea, rocket into the galaxy and also learn about the science of gardening, animals, and cells, to name a few.

#### **BBC** History for Kids

https://www.bbc.co.uk/history/forkids/

Games, quizzes and fact sheets take kids on a journey through time. Kids can set off on a learning adventure when they walk through ancient history, world history and histories of specific countries on the BBC History for Kids website.

#### Highlights for Kids

https://www.highlightskids.com/

The magazine for kids that's been around for more than 60 years now offers online ways to play, read and craft with your children. Matching games, art activities, animated stories and science experiments are just a few ways kids can learn while having fun on the Highlights for Kids website.

#### Learning Games for Kids

https://www.learninggamesforkids.com/

The name of the site says it all. Learning Games for Kids is all about games that teach kids almost every subject you can think of. Word, spelling, social studies, brain, science, art, vocabulary, literature and keyboarding games will get your kids started on a learning adventure.

# Old Farmer's Almanac for Kids https://www.almanac.com/kids

It's learning with a twist. The Old Farmer's Almanac for Kids features riddles, puzzles, a question of the day, a timeline of interesting history facts, sky events and weather conditions to track at home with your children.

## **BLUESTRE** K

Greetings Parent/Guardian,

Your child has been enrolled in Bluestreak Math. BlueStreak Math is a resource which engages your student in an immersive educational journey towards mastering their addition, subtraction, multiplication and division tables.

For iOS and Android download the BlueStreak Math app from the App Store and login using the codes below.

For our student mobile app go to bluestreakmath.com/ios or bluestreakmath.com/android. For PC go to bluestreakmath.com/windows.

For Mac and ChromeOS go to bluestreakmath.com/game.

For an optimized gaming experience, download Mozilla Firefox. Cant Get Firefox? Google Chrome is your next best bet.

Student Name:

Student Id:

Student Password: •

Want to find out more about bluestreak and compatible devices? Visit bluestreakmath.com for a more detailed listing of approved devices.

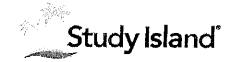
From our galaxy to yours, The BlueStreak Math Team

Call us at (800) 288-9940

Email us at info@bluestreakmath.com

Visit bluestreakmath.com





# Study Island at Home

Study Island is completely web-based to allow access the program from any computer with an Internet connection and a standard Web browser. Session results are automatically recorded, including results from sessions completed outside of school.

- & Every student has his/her own username and password.
- The program is divided into sections based on subject.
- « Each subject is made up of topics, each of which corresponds to specific state standards.
- Each topic contains lessons, practice questions, and explanations.
- Topics are accompanied by a lesson, which includes information about the material covered by the questions in the topic.

#### How to Log In to Study Island

Go to www.studyisland.com, click "Login" on the top right hand side, and enter your username and password.

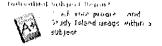
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#### How to Use Study Island

- After signing in on the home page, you'll have the option to either click on My Class or select a program from the navigation bar to start working in Study Island.
- If this is the first time using the program or subject, the student may be required to take a pretest, If there is no pretest option, or if the student has have already taken the Pretest, the student will be able to move on to content topics.
- Use the navigation bar on the left-hand side of the screen to access class assignments, reports, high scores, and writing assignments, as well as other sections of the program.
- To pass a topic, a student must satisfy the topic's passing goal, which is based on a minimum number of questions answered and a minimum percentage correct. A Blue Ribbon is displayed next to all passed topics.
- Once a student has passed all of the topics in the subject, he or she will have to pass the post test for the subject. Ignore this step if the subject does not have a posttest.

### How to Monitor Student Progress

- Log in to Study Island with the login username and password shown above.
- Click on My Reports.
- Click on a report and select the appropriate grade level.







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## School Closure Resources

#### Free Resources To Use With Students During School Closures

#kidlitquarantine- Authors and Illustrators are jumping in to help out! Under the hashtag #kidlitquarantine there are read alouds, drawing activities, and writing activities available for students by their favorite authors. (All ages) List of authors who are participating and activities/times, centralized calendar

Readworks- Comprehension passages at different lexile levels with questions- always free (K-12)

<u>Scholastic Free Virtual Learning</u>- Day by day projects to keep kids reading, thinking and growing (Pre-K-6+)

Starfall- Grades Pre-K through 2nd- free resources for phonics and read-along stories (Pre-K-2)

NewsELA- Free access for the remainder of the year (K-12)

Read, Wonder, and Learn! Favorite Authors & Illustrators Share Resources for Learning Anywhere- Spring 2020- Kate Messner (all ages)

Learning A-Z- All parts of Learning A-Z are available free trials for 14 days (K-6)

ReadAskChat is sharing a code so PreK and K families can have access to their digital library through April: 5RVLD4 (Pre-K - K)

<u>Discovery Education</u>- Free access for the remainder of the year- must fill out a form for school districts (K-12)

BrainPop- Free access for the remainder of the year, schools must apply (K-8)

ABC Mouse & Adventure Academy- Schools can apply to receive free access until the end of the year (Pre-K-8)

Mystery Science- Free K-5 mini lessons available- schools can gain access to all mystery science for the remainder of the school year if they apply. (K-8)

Moby Max- Online Learning- free for the remainder of the year, schools must request access (K-8)

<u>Storyline Online</u>- Free literacy program where actors read to children, this is always a free resource (<u>Pre-K-8</u>)

Kahoot-Free access to all Kahoot features (K-8)

Ben Clanton FB Live Author Visit- Author of Narwhal and Jelly will be doing a free author visit on <u>March 18 at 11 am</u> pst and <u>March 20 at 2pm</u>

FCPS- Fairfax County Public Schools- List of Activities for their students (K-6)

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<u>Albert</u>-Thousands of standards-aligned practice questions for grades 6-12. Curriculum coverage of ELA, Math, Science, Social Studies, AP, SAT®, ACT®, Regents, STAAR, and Common Core needs. Albert is providing extended free pilot licenses for schools impacted by COVID-19. (6-12)

PHET- Interactive Simulations for Elementary through High School (3-12)

EPIC- Free digital library for students - this is always a free resource (K-12)

<u>Tunker-</u> Tynker offers a complete online computer coding curriculum for students K-8. Teachers can get free lessons, projects, and more on the site. (K-12)

120 Free Math and Literacy Games (K-2)

<u>Vooks</u>- kid-safe online streaming library of read-aloud animated storybooks, free for one year for teachers (<u>Pre-K-3</u>)

Khan Academy- Online learning website. They also created a <u>Daily schedule for students 4-18</u> (Pre-K-12)

No More Flashcards-Resources and Ideas for Pre-K Students-(Pre-K)

BreakoutEDU- Digital educational games students can play at home (K-12)

Nearpod- Free online learning (K-12)

<u>Opinion Writing</u>- Video lessons by Jamie Sears- In the lessons she reads a mentor text, teaches a lesson, models how to fill in the graphic organizer and gives students a daily task to complete. (2-5)

<u>Illustrative Mathematics</u>: free resources (tasks aligned to content standards) that can be printed and used with students (K-12)

YouCubed: A variety of free tasks and more that can be used with students (K-12)

Free Virtual Field Trips- (all ages)

<u>DreamBox Learning</u>- Online Math Learning free for 90 days (K-8)

Art & Craft Tutorials with McHarper Manor (Visual Arts Studio in Ohio)- Everyday at 1pm (all ages)

Resources for English Learners (all ages)

ISBE's Continuing Education Resources (Scroll down the page)

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## **School Closure Resources**

ISBE's Open Educational Resources

#### Resources for Teachers and Families

Comcast Internet Essentials Program - Free for low-income customers for 60 days (all families)

Parent's Guide to using Google Classroom 2020 (families)

105 Tools for Distance Learning & Strategies for Student Engagement (K-12)

<u>Edpuzzle</u>-Choose a video, give it your magic touch and track your students' comprehension.(teachers)

Google Support Resources - distant learning resources (teachers)

Book Creator - Edtech tool- Online book creator all features free for now (K-12)

Read the World- Digital Learning Support for teachers and families (all ages)

Elematari- Bring writing alive- free license for districts until May 2020 (K-12)

Explain Everything- Edtech tool- Free extended access (K-12)

WeareTeachers- Online post with 60 resources to use for school closures (K-12)

Educational companies offering free subscriptions and online content (K-12)

<u>Educational Resources for School Closing</u>- Online group that compiled a list, there is also a facebook group to follow called <u>Educator Temporary School Closure for Online Learning</u> (teachers)

ISBE Coronavirus Guidance (districts)

ISBE Continuing Education Resources (districts)

Free resources provided by ISBE to help teachers plan out activities and lessons for students.

Some ideas for home learning include:

- Send books home with students and/or print out articles, poetry, and writing prompts.
- Assign a long-term research-based project aligned to multiple standards.
- Put together learning packets to review or enhance material already taught.
- Assign simple science projects that could be done at home.
- Review textbooks and print the supplemental lessons that one often does not have time to do in class.
- Use any online resources available to teachers and print assignments to do at home.
  - Have students write reflection essays about a movie watched or a book read and scaffold the assignment for different age ranges.

ISBE staff have identified a few free online resources that can be sources of activities and inspiration:

- Share My Lesson: www.sharemylesson.com
- National Geographic: https://www.nationalgeographic.org/education/resource-library/?q=&page=1&per\_page=25
- Field Museum: <a href="https://www.fieldmuseum.org/educators/learning-resources/plants-animals">https://www.fieldmuseum.org/educators/learning-resources/plants-animals</a>
- Lesson Planet: <a href="https://www.lessonplanet.com/">https://www.lessonplanet.com/</a>
- The Learning Network: <a href="https://www.nytimes.com/section/learning">https://www.nytimes.com/section/learning</a>
- Statistics in Schools: <a href="https://www.census.gov/programs-surveys/sis/2020census/2020-resources.html">https://www.census.gov/programs-surveys/sis/2020census/2020-resources.html</a>
- EdEx: <a href="https://www.edx.org/">https://www.edx.org/</a>
- Global Digital Library: <a href="https://www.digitallibrary.io/">https://www.digitallibrary.io/</a>
- Khan Academy: https://www.khanacademy.org/
- Learning Equality: <a href="https://learningequality.org/kolibri/">https://learningequality.org/kolibri/</a>