

# ACADEMY ADVENTURES MIDTOWN

Public Charter School \* Serving Grades K-5

## 2020-2021 Distance Learning Attendance Policy

Academy Adventures Midtown will be starting school on August 6, 2020. Due to the Governor's Executive order, school will begin as a Distance Learning Program. All students enrolled at Academy Adventures Midtown are required to participate daily based on the school calendar and a schedule developed for their grade level. Students who do not participate, per the policy below, will be counted absent.

The Learning Schedules are based on a normal school day and last year's bell schedule for consistency.

Distance Learning will include two parts: Synchronous Learning (live Zoom sessions) and Asynchronous Learning (assigned work to do on their own). **Both Synchronous and Asynchronous learning is required to be completed daily in order to not be counted absent.**

### **Synchronous Learning Schedule**

*Synchronous learning will be direct instruction from the teacher through live Zoom meetings.*

- 1. All students, in all grade levels, are required to sign into a live Zoom meeting at 9:00 AM to meet with their teachers for morning announcements, Pledge of Allegiance and morning activity which include Growth Mindset (SEL). This session will last for ½-¾ of an hour. Students who arrive to the Zoom meeting after 9:00 AM may be counted tardy. We recommend that you sign in at least 5 minutes early.*
- 2. Students will attend live Zoom Instruction based on their grade level's schedule (see attached). Students are required to log in on time (we recommend at least 5 minutes early) and participate in the Zoom session with their teacher. During this session, direct instruction on core subjects will be taught by the teacher, time to work on assignments together and a fun Brain Break incorporated.*
- 3. Two evenings a week, Tuesday and Thursday, there will be a live Zoom session for all students, in all grades. One night will be an Art Project and one night will be a STEM lesson. This is a family event and we encourage parents/guardians, siblings, etc. to also attend! Attendance is not mandatory, but highly recommended. It is a time for the school community to come together and encourages family involvement.*

**Students deemed absent for ten (10) consecutive days will be disenrolled from Academy Adventures Midtown.**

## Asynchronous Learning Schedule

*Asynchronous Learning is the student completing assignments when not on Zoom.*

- 1. Students will be required daily to complete Assignments set up by their teacher in SuperKids, GoMath (ThinkCentral), RazKids (Learning A-Z) and SplashLearn (SplashMath) for additional ELA and Math practice.*
- 2. Students will be required to watch instructional videos from their teachers daily that will go over the concepts to be learned that day. These videos should be watched before attending their class on Zoom. Videos will be available on ClassDojo daily. Parents will also have access to the videos to help them understand concepts being taught to better help their child at home.*
- 3. Students will be required to read a book of choice, either to themselves, to an adult, to a sibling, to a stuffed animal or to their "Flat" teacher for a certain number of minutes daily. Minutes are determined based on grade level. Parents are required to sign off on their child's reading log to verify that their child did the assignment, which will be used as part of verifying your child's attendance. Students who are participating in Distance Learning Support Services from the school can have a monitor sign off on their log if the reading is done at the school.*
- 4. Students will be given assigned work through ClassDoJo that they will need to complete and turn in. Options of turning in assignments will vary and may include, but is not limited to, videos through ClassDoJo, Pictures, uploading an assignment into ClassDoJo and/or speaking with the teacher on the phone.*

*SuperKids, GoMath, RazKid and SplashLearn assignments will be monitored by the student's teacher daily to ensure that they are completing their assignments and to see if there is any concepts the student may need additional assistance with.*

**If a student misses any part of the Asynchronous learning activities, the student may be counted absent for ½ a day and their permanent attendance record will reflect the absence and the student will be required to make up any work that is missed.**

In addition to the Synchronous and Asynchronous Learning schedules, teachers will have designed "Office Hours" where they will be live on Zoom to answer any question and/or assist with any work the student may have problems with.

If your child will be absent due to illness or any other reason, parents/guardians are required to call the school and report your child's absence so the teacher is aware the child will not be joining any live sessions and/or not completing their daily work. **Any work missed will be required to be made up.**

If your child is having technical difficulties signing into Zoom and/or any of the other learning platforms, please contact the school as soon as possible for assistance. You can contact Mrs. Angela via ClassDojo and Remind and/or call the school. Teachers may or may not be available for immediate help as they will be working with children, but they can also be reached via ClassDojo. If the technical issues provide any type of error message, please include that when leaving a message on ClassDojo or have it ready to read if you call the school. This will allow us to better help you resolve issues.

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***I have read and understand the Distance Learning Attendance Policy and understand that my child is required to participate daily based on their schedule. I understand that if my child misses any part of the day, they will be counted as absent based on what part of the day is missed. I understand that if my child will be absent, I need to call and report the absence to the school.***

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_