

An Aquin Parent's Survival Guide for At-Home Learning



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Dear Parents,

Before you read through this document, please take a breath. We are in this together and we'll get through it together. Don't forget that we are #Aquinstrong. Now let's begin.

This document is to provide you with information on how to complete schoolwork in the event your son or daughter is placed into quarantine due to a close contact situation inside or outside of school, or if your son or daughter needs to isolate due to a positive COVID test.

Quarantined or Isolation

Quarantined

Students in quarantine are asked to continue with their studies from home as long as they do not become ill.

Isolation

Students in isolation may participate from home in the same manner as those in quarantine. However, if they are feeling too ill to participate, it is not expected for them to be logged into classes (if applicable).

Please contact the office if the student is not going to be participating in online classes (if applicable).

The most current and updated document will be on our school website at www.aquin.org under the tab "Keeping Aquin Open" (formerly Reopening Aquin) A copy of this will be sent directly to families who have students who are either quarantining or isolating.

First Things First Communication and Getting Materials

Upon hearing that your child will be home, teachers will contact parents via phone to ask parents a variety of questions to help plan for their students.

1. Is the child ill?
2. Is the parent ill?
3. Are there additional school age children at home?
4. Is the parent staying with the child during quarantine/isolation to help with any work?
 - a. If yes, is the parent working from home?
 - b. If no, who is taking care of the child? Grandparents? Older siblings?
5. When is help available to the student who is at home?
6. Teacher discusses the learning mode options provided by the teacher (technology(recorded videos, live) and/or paper and pencil)*See chart

Following the phone call, teachers will have the materials ready for pick up no later than the following day. Teachers will let you know when materials will be ready via email or sent with another child if applicable.

Grade Level Expectations

Grade	Focus of content	Multiple Modes of Instruction	Additional Information
Pre	Literacy	Links, Recorded videos,	SeeSaw home

	Math Fine Motor	hands on activities (in binders) Parents/students log into SeeSaw (student side) to access daily activities. Each day there will be one activity that requires a picture to be posted. This will show us students' progress through the activities.	learning codes in the distant learning section of binders, Extra activities ideas are located in binders if needed.
K	Religion Reading/LA Math	Recorded videos Paper/pencil We expect that the YouTube videos of our recorded instruction will be watched and the assignments that go with those be completed. Paper/pencil assignments and activities will also be assigned and need to be returned to school.	Video links through YouTube will be sent for parents to access at their convenience
1	Religion Reading/LA Writing Math Handwriting	Math online videos/Digital Review Reading online activities/stories Paper/pencil Teachers expect math and reading videos to be watched and paper/pencil activities completed.	Online links/passwords already sent home
2	Religion Reading/L.A. Math Science	Students will log into SeeSaw to see the lessons/activities for the	Laminated online links/passwords is in their take home folder

	S.S.	<p>week. Textbooks and paper/pencil materials will be sent home the work day following parent contact. Materials for any additional weeks will be available in the office on Monday mornings.</p> <p>Parents are encouraged to return completed work on Monday mornings, as well.</p>	
3	<p>Religion, Reading/LA Math Science Social Studies</p>	<p>Text and paper/pencil materials will be sent home the work day following parent contact.</p> <p>Materials for any additional weeks will be available in the office on Monday mornings.</p> <p>Students who are able; may attend math, science, and social studies classes virtually through Google Classroom (Google Meets).</p> <p>Parents will be informed if additional materials are made available on Google Classroom.</p>	Laminated online links/passwords
4	<p>Religion Reading/LA Math Science</p>	<p>Paper/pencil, Google Classroom, Wonders online reading, FOSS online website, spellingcity online website.</p> <p>Students are expected to check Google Classroom</p>	<p>Links are on Google Classroom. (Passwords are in their assignment notebook.)</p>

		<p>daily as well as complete paper/pencil activities.</p> <p>Textbooks and paper/pencil materials will be sent home the work day following parent contact.</p> <p>Materials for any additional weeks will be available in the office on Monday mornings.</p> <p>Parents are encouraged to return completed work on Monday mornings, as well.</p>	
5	<p>Religion Reading/LA Math Science SS</p>	<p>Paper/pencil, Google Classroom, Wonders online reading, Envision Math, SpellingCity online website.</p> <p>Ongoing email communication and Zoom meetings for Q&A session. Check Google Classroom daily as well as complete paper/pencil activities.</p> <p>Textbooks and paper/pencil materials will be sent home the work day following parent contact.</p> <p>Materials for any additional weeks will be available in the office on Monday mornings.</p>	<p>Links are on Google Classroom and their passwords are in their assignment notebook for access to Wonders and Envision Math video/audio lessons, and other sites.</p>

		Work can be turned in on Google Classroom or returned when back in school.	
6-8	Religion Reading/LA Math Science, Exploratories when possible	LiveStreaming all day following the normal class schedule. Links to Google Meet are found in the banner of each class within Google Classroom. For students who cannot livestream, recorded videos will be posted to Google Classroom. Most assignments will be completed through Google Classroom, although paper-pencil options are available.	Student usernames and passwords can be found inside their assignment notebooks or stored in Google Classroom. Students should keep their video on during Meets and should be free from distractions. Students who join online are not considered absent for that class.

Technology Help

Aquin will utilize the technology teacher and classroom teacher to help students troubleshoot problems with devices. In the event that a student's device is not working they should call the school office at 563.852.3331. In the event that a student is not able to connect with the classroom at the time designated please contact school or contact the Technology Director Andrea Willenborg awillenborg@aquin.org x134

Parent Support

At Aquin we will do everything in our power to help students be independent and responsible for their learning. We will provide students with the instruction necessary for logging in etc. We do ask that parents ensure that their child is present and that the environment is free from distractions.

Resources

Additional information can be found on our school website under the Keeping Aquin Open tab and the Links tab found at www.aquin.org

One more thing



Lunch and breakfast are available free to those students who are at home due to quarantine or isolation.

Contact Lois Merkes at lmerkes@aquin.org if you would like to participate in our free meal program or have any questions.

