



Venus Primary School Parent Information for Connected Learning



Attendance

- Daily attendance is required. Students should be available to meet with teachers during regular school hours 8am-3:30pm.
- Students must be present for at least 90% of instruction in order to receive credit.
- Students are required to log in and work within SeeSaw and with the teacher daily.
- Teachers will take attendance every day.



Devices

- Students will be issued a VISD iPad.
- Please follow the Acceptable Use Policy that was given in the registration packet in Skyward.
- Contact the technology department through the “Student Help desk” link in Clever with any device issues.



Course Offerings

- Students in PreK - 1st grade will receive enrichment activities provided by their Connected Learning teacher. All core classes (reading, math, science, social studies) will be taught daily.



Instructional Materials

- Online textbooks are accessible through Clever.
- Student workbooks can be picked up with their devices.



Expectations for Instruction & Workload

- **Connected learning students are full-time students:**
 - Students in PK through 1st grade will have at least 180 minutes of instruction each day.
 - Students will have days that require more time on certain subjects or activities.
- **Connected Learning teachers will set a schedule of days and times for virtual class sessions:**
 - Students will have assigned class times throughout the week that they will need to attend.
 - Younger students will need an adult at home to help them stay on schedule with their virtual meetings.



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- **Workload** Learning teachers will set up virtual meetings with students as needed:
 - Students will be responsible for following their calendars and joining the virtual meetings.
 - Younger students will need an adult at home to help them stay on schedule.
- **All Connected Learning students will have daily instruction that they need to complete:**
 - For younger students, an adult at home will need to be available to help them stay on task.
- **The grading policy is the same for Connected Learning as it is for On-Campus Learning:**
 - Students will be accountable for deadlines and submitting work daily.



Grades & Grading Policy

- Grading standards are the same for face-to-face and connected learning.
- Students are accountable for their progress and completing work.
- NOTE: Students are more likely to succeed if their parent(s)/guardian(s) keep them accountable for getting work done.
- Please see the VPS Student Handbook on our website for grading guidelines.



Transportation for Connected Learning Students

- Students are not provided transportation to school.



Learning Management Systems

- **How to Access:** All district software will be accessed through Clever.
- **How to Navigate:** By August 14, you will receive an email with instructions that explain how to navigate the LMS for your campus.
- **Skyward vs LMS:** No matter which LMS your child(ren) is using, the gradebook in that LMS can be used to track progress/completion, but grades are not finalized until they are entered into Skyward.



Meals

- Meal pick up for students will be daily from 8:15-8:45 (breakfast) and 10:00-10:45 (lunch). You will receive a survey to fill out.



Contacting Teachers

- Email is the best way to contact teachers.
 - Teachers are expected to respond within 24 hours.
 - If a teacher is able to respond more quickly, that does not indicate a new standard of expectation.
- If you have an immediate need, call the campus office.



Transitioning from Online to On-Campus

Requests to transition back to on-campus learning must be made at least a week before the end of a grading period. Requests must be in writing to Mr. Nazworth, Principal. You can drop off a written request or send an email to steven.nazworth@venusisd.net



ONLINE COMMUNICATIONS

Teachers and administrators will communicate with online students through our online platform, SeeSaw. You will receive SeeSaw Family directions at iPad pick up.