

Dear BHSWCA Families and Students,

I hope this letter finds you and your family healthy and safe. In these uncertain times, you can be assured that at BHSWCA school is still in session, albeit remotely. Our faculty and staff have been working tirelessly to move instruction and counseling services online using Google Classroom and Google Meet. Below you will find our online school schedule and our answers to your FAQs.

In this mailing, you will find your child's progress report for marking period 1 of the spring term. The next marking period closes May 6th . You will also find a family friendly document called " Remote Learning - What I Need to Know" and a school schedule for remote learning. Finally, there are two documents with our faculty and staff's google voice numbers and email addresses.

If you still have any questions, please email me at admin@bhsorca.com or call me at 201-701-0794. My school cell is also still available to you at 347-754-0317. Thanks so much for your patience and we look forward to seeing you in our online school meetings and classrooms. Please remember we are all one phone call or email away. I wish you all great health!

BHSWCA Remote Learning FAQs

How will my child learn in all of their classes and earn credits?

- All classes will be accessible through Google Classroom which can be accessed through a browser at classroom.google.com or through an app on any smartphone, tablet, or gaming console.
- Teachers are carefully designing self-guided learning experiences for their classes that will be interactive, comprehensive, and at the same pace they would have learned it in the school building
- All classes will have an official meeting in a video chat on Google Meet once per week to go over key concepts and misconceptions for the week. Attendance will be taken in these whole-class meetings.
- Teachers will also be holding office hours twice each week during which students can sign into a video chat if they need support with the classwork for the week.
- There will be daily activities and tasks due weekly along with quizzes and other assessments of mastery.

What is the schedule for Remote Learning Class times?

- Teachers will assign specific blocks to specific classes, but the overview of the schedule is below
- Teachers also hold individual office hours which will be shared with your child through Google Classroom and email

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
9:30-10:30	Math Physical Education	English/ENL Advisory/PGC	Science Spanish	Social Studies Art
11:00-12:00	Math Physical Education	English/ENL Advisory/PGC	Science Spanish	Social Studies Arts
1:00-2:00	Math Physical Education	English/ENL Advisory/PGC	Science Spanish	Social Studies Art

What if my child cannot make it to their assigned class time?

- We understand that everyone has responsibilities at home and we will try to be flexible and accommodate as many as possible. Students have the ability to join other sections of their class for whole-group class time if they are available, but they must communicate this to their teacher as this will be our official attendance for the day.

How can I know how my child is doing?

- Progress will be posted in Skedula
- Teachers will hold official Parent Engagement time for one hour each week and will be reaching out if your child needs more support. This schedule will vary by teacher and is forthcoming.
- Email the teacher at any time (directory in this mailing)

How will this impact my child's progress toward graduation?

- As long as your child is keeping up with the assignments the teachers are providing, they will still earn all their credits this term, and teachers are still preparing students for their scheduled Regents.

What if I don't have a device at home for my child to use for classwork?

- Please visit <https://coronavirus.schools.nyc/remoteteachingdevices> and complete the survey or call 718-935-5100 and press 5
- Devices are being distributed by the Department of Education at central pickup sites
- BHSWCA iPads are not available at this time due to a lack of power cords. We charge our devices in specially designed iPad carts.

Be Well,

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