Blended Learning Information

Flex Days = Planned instructional days which allows for training for all HCCSC staff

eLearning = Inclement weather



HCCSC Flex Day Schedule

1st Flex Day . . Monday November 16, 2020 2nd Flex Day . . Monday February 15, 2020

HCCSC BLENDED LEARNING PURPOSE

Blended Learning allows for some exciting learning experiences for HCCSC students while allowing for time flexibility.

eLearning is designed to be delivered over the internet through Canvas which is our Learning Management System (LMS). Teachers will be available by email and Canvas during regularly scheduled school hours on days when school is closed and eLearning takes place. Time management and communication will be important. Those without internet at home are asked to look at the "HCCSC eLearning and Computer Access" hand-out available at the HCCSC website and at each school. HCCSC buildings will be open to provide internet access for those who may require it.

HCCSC believes the student-teacher relationship is still most important to student learning and will be highlighted as the home and school experiences are blended to promote authentic learning experiences. For this reason, HCCSC has five makeup days built into the school calendar, so eLearning will only be used for a weather-related school cancellation once the five builtin days have been exhausted. This will eliminate the need to add make-up days to the end of the school year. We are excited about the possibility of bringing student learning into a new paradigm, one that keeps your child at the center of learning while giving the very best in a blended classroom and online experience.

WHY BLENDED LEARNING?

Blended Learning provides multiple opportunities for our students such as:

- New ways to learn and apply valuable content as required in Indiana curriculum.
- Learning and practicing important technological skills that apply to the learning process.
- Learning proper digital citizenship through the lens of an academic classroom.
- Learning experiences that go beyond the classroom.
- Actively participating and working in a blended eLearning environment which will become more prevalent in the future education of today's student.
- Immersion in 21st Century competencies (such as creativity, critical thinking, collaboration, and communication) important to college and career readiness.
- Preparation for on-line courses post graduation.
- Ensure that we maintain momentum with the curriculum prior to IREAD-3, ILEARN (ISTEP+) and AP exams.
- Allow time for staff training without disruption to student learning.
- Avoid loss of momentum with curriculum due to inclement weather.

For more information see the Q & A sheet under the eLearning tab on the HCCSC website www.hccsc.k12.in.us