

# A DAY IN THE LIFE OF AN ELEMENTARY STUDENT IN MODEL B (VIRTUAL)

## MODEL B

How will Model B be different this year?

While all Whitnall students participated in emergency remote instruction during the spring, this year, if our in person classes need to change to Model B (virtual), teachers will provide a more rigorous learning experience aligned to best practices for virtual instruction.

## MODEL B LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

Where does learning occur?

Students will be at home / off site using the learning management platform Canvas.

What is Canvas?

Canvas is an open and reliable web-based software that allows institutions to manage digital learning, educators to create and present online learning materials and assess student learning, and students to engage in courses and receive feedback about skill development and learning achievement. Additionally, while Canvas is primarily a web-based software, any user can access Canvas on a mobile device from the Canvas Teacher, Canvas Student, and Canvas Parent apps.

Will I be provided a Canvas log-in to view my child's account?

Yes, each parent is an "OBSERVER". You are able to view all assignments and feedback but aren't permitted to submit assignments for your child.

This [LINK](#) will take you to the CANVAS log in page which is on our website. There is an embedded link on that page for CANVAS Information.

## MODEL B LEARNING SCHEDULE

When does my student attend?

All elementary students must be available to participate in Model B learning on a daily basis. The daily schedule for Model B learning will align closely with the daily schedule for in person learning. Model B schedules are posted on each classroom Canvas page.

Special classes (Art, Music, Physical Education) will use asynchronous instruction. This type of instruction will not happen in "real time". Examples are a video, written/recorded instructions or discussions. Students will use task / assessment completion / submission as a method to count for attendance.

## ATTENDANCE

How will my child's attendance be monitored?

Students will attend and engage in all learning activities (synchronous or asynchronous) in all content areas within Canvas. Daily attendance will be taken Monday through Friday. Students will be marked absent if they are not present during a synchronous lesson and/or if no participation occurs with lessons for a class. Parents will need to call the school office or use the online absence form to report an absence.

## FAMILY EXPECTATIONS

What support will I need to provide my student?

- Some younger students may need adult assistance with learning activities.
- Check email at least once per day for information from the teacher or school.
- Monitor grades and assessments
- Check in with student on progress (multiple times per week)
  - Check completed assignments
  - Check notes, reading guides, etc...
- Contact or encourage your child to contact the teacher if they are having difficulty.
- If your student will be absent from a synchronous session make sure they watch the recording or reach out to the teacher to schedule extra support.
- Help manage the at home school environment.
  - Have a designated area where they can successfully complete school work.
  - Monitor activity to make sure your student is completing school work.
  - Encourage your student to take breaks as needed.
  - Help your student organize their daily/weekly schedule (using some kind of planner).

## TECHNOLOGY ACCESS AND SUPPORT

Will my student be issued a device?

Grades 2-5 will use a school assigned Chromebook. Grades K-1st will use a school assigned iPad. K4 students may request an iPad through the [Whitnall Help Desk](#).

How can my student access technology support?

Model B students and parents can contact the [Whitnall Help Desk](#) to request support.

**SCHOOL SUPPLIES**

Will my student need school supplies?

Students will bring home the supplies they will need for Model B. Pick up for specific materials/books may occur. Families will be notified of pick up dates and times if needed.

**SCHOOL LUNCH**

Is school lunch still available for my child while in Model B?

Yes, breakfast and lunch will be available. A schedule for times and location pick up will be shared with families.

**SPECIAL STUDENT SERVICES**

Will students receiving special services continue to receive services in Model B?

Special education services (including speech, OT and PT) will be available according to each child's IEP. Additionally, students with plans (504, EL, BIP, DEP, Intensive Support Plans and academic interventions) will continue to receive support from their case manager.