

Educational Resources/Learning Opportunities FAQs

Q: What is the purpose of the packets and online resource information?

A: The learning opportunities are provided to ensure your child(ren) continues to expand their knowledge in all content areas while the school remains closed.

Q: How long will the links be available for online assignments?

A: The packet link will be "shut down" each Sunday at 11:59 p.m. and reactivated after packet pick-up on Tuesdays at noon.

Q: Can I go to the GPISD Administration Building to pick up a packet?

A: No. Packets are available for pick-up only on Mondays from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the designated locations of Galena Park High School and North Shore Senior High School. Please be sure to register (only one registration per student for the duration of the school closure) by 11:59 p.m. on the Sunday evening prior to picking up your first packet. Please note, the final packet pick-up is scheduled for **Tuesday**, April 14, 2020.

Q: Do I have to request a packet each week?

A: No. You only need to request a packet for each student once during the COVID-19 closure. Once you have requested a packet for a student, a packet will be made for him/her. Again, the final packet pick-up will take place on **Tuesday**, April 14, 2020.

Q: Are online resources updated?

A: Yes, the online resources are updated every Monday by 4:00 p.m.

Q: Is it permissible for our students to use online courses (Harvard, edX, etc.)?

A: Yes, students can use any publicly available course. Teachers are providing their students with assignments. Students should check their school email and Google Classrooms regularly.

Q: What will happen with students taking their district assessments? How will we prepare for upcoming state tests?

A: Since the STAAR/EOC tests were canceled by the Texas Education Agency, we will not be administering district assessments for the remainder of the spring semester.

Q: Is there any way to have the packet emailed to me?

A: No. There is no need to complete both the paper packet **and** the online learning opportunities, since the content in the printed packets is identical to what is found in the online resources. If you have access to a computer and a printer, you can print the information directly from the online resources.

Q: I've been looking for resources for my son who is in kindergarten to have to do at home. I have a computer but I will be using it for work. Is there any way I could get a copy of the packet even though my son goes to a different district?

A: School districts are providing a wide variety of resources for their students to complete during closure. Please refer to your school district's website for resources your home school district is asking their students to use.

Q: If my child's teacher sends work, and the District provides work, which assignments should my child complete?

A: In a case where the child's teacher is providing assignments, the student should complete the teacher's work first. If the student needs additional practice with the concept, he/she should complete the work provided by the District as a supplement.