DISTANCE LEARNING PROGRAM AT LANSDOWNE HIGH 2022-23

APRIL 2022
WHY WE WERE CHOSEN

- Projected enrollment is 1455 next year
  - Addition of 14 teaching positions for next year
  - Every single teaching space will be used for instruction

- Needs for current student body
  - Increased absenteeism since return to in-person
  - Alternative Options
DISTANCE LEARNING PROGRAM FRAMEWORK

- Lansdowne staff will offer online options
  - Open to grade 10-12
  - Will not be an option for OGE or ESOL levels Newcomer, 1 & 2 at this time
  - Will offer a limited course selection
STUDENT ELIGIBILITY FOR THE PROGRAM

1. Maintain a primary residence in Baltimore County where they are assigned to Lansdowne High School.
2. Lansdowne will continue to provide the BCPS issued device for students. However, families are responsible for assuring internet access.
3. Attend IN-PERSON testing administration, including state mandated assessments.
4. Appear on camera and/or use their microphone for certain lessons, as directed by their teacher(s).
5. Attend school regularly and engage in class activities each day. **This program is NOT an asynchronous learning program.** Students are expected to **attend and participate in class daily.** Students who are present to class 90% of the time, remaining in class the entire class period and submitting assignments during the class period are considered to be “fully participating” in the program. Those students who are not meeting these requirements will be considered for removal from the program and expected to return to the comprehensive day-school setting at either interim time or the end of marking period.
INTERESTED IN THE PROGRAM?

6. Commit to a full year of the DLP for the 2022-2023 school year. Requests to return to in-person learning can be made and will be reviewed by Lansdowne staff; however, once a student is withdrawn from the program, students may NOT re-enroll for any reason.

Students will be accepted into the Distance Learning Program after a thorough review of their transcript.
FAQS

• Will my student be able to participate in extra-curricular activities?
  – Yes!

• Why are incoming 9th graders excluded?
  – Two reasons:
    • It is important to us that we get to know our 9th grade students and based on our experience in virtual learning through COVID, we know that this is best accomplished in a face-to-face setting.
    • We are currently working on strengthening our 9th grade Freshman Foundations program for next year
FAQS

• Will the curriculum for Distance Learning be different than what is being taught in the in-person setting?
  – No. There is an expectation that teachers are following the current BCPS curriculum as if they were teaching in-person, modifying and differentiating as appropriate for the online platform.
  – Because students are expected to participate in the same BCPS testing requirements (i.e. PBA, periodic assessments, etc.) AND students may be removed from the program if not meeting with success, pacing in both platforms must be consistent.
NEXT STEPS FOR FAMILIES

- Details on the program including course options will be sent home via School Messenger and posted on our Website.
- Students may also pick up information packets from the main office or school counseling office.
- Registration will remain open until Friday, May 6th. Registration forms should be returned to the School Counseling Office.
- Counselors will review the registration forms to ensure that the program will meet the needs of your student. Our goal is to ensure that students are staying on track to meet all graduation requirements.
- Notification of acceptance into the program will be made the week of May 8th.