



PENN CAMBRIA SCHOOL DISTRICT

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March 30, 2020

Dear Families,

Beginning Monday, March 30, 2020, Penn Cambria School District is committed to making a good faith effort to provide continuity of education by the means of both planned instruction and enrichment and review activities. Appropriate and reasonable services/supports will be provided for students while our school districts are closed due to COVID-19.

During the extended closure of a school (10 or more consecutive days) due to the COVID-19 health emergency, Penn Cambria School District will continue to provide a free and appropriate public education (FAPE) consistent with the need to protect the health and safety of students with disabilities and those individuals providing education, specialized instruction, and related services.

During the extended closure, Penn Cambria School District will provide special education and related services through distance instruction provided virtually, online, by pre-recorded videos, and/or other appropriate modalities. During this time, Penn Cambria School District will not be able to provide all services in the same manner they were typically provided. In addition, data for progress monitoring of IEP goals may not be able to be collected in the same manner it was typically collected. The IEP team will work collaboratively to monitor progress through parental/guardian communication and practices of observation and documentation remotely.

The Special Education team values education and we value your child. We understand the challenges school closure has caused and want to do our part in ensuring your child has equal access to learning. We also appreciate the expanded role that has been thrust upon parents/guardians and we want to be a support for you as well. Thank you for your continued cooperation as we work to ensure the safety of our students, staff, and communities.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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Interim IEP Addendum – COVID 19

Purpose: Penn Cambria School District is temporarily closed as a result of the COVID-19 Pandemic. Beginning on March 30, 2020, the District will provide instruction and/or review and enrichment via a combination of learning platforms. To ensure that the District continues to provide a free appropriate public education (FAPE) to students who receive special education, certain changes to the student's IEP may be necessary. This Interim IEP Addendum is provided in compliance with Senate Bill 751, IDEA, and Section 504. The changes will be documented within this addendum and implemented through a combination of learning platforms. Following the period of closure, unless agreed otherwise by the IEP Team, the IEP in effect prior to the COVID-19 closure will resume implementation, and the IEP teams will reconvene, if necessary, in order to assess what, if any, IEP revisions are needed as a result of the closure.

Specially Designed Instruction (SDI) applicable to a combination of learning platforms. The following SDI and Modifications will be implemented:

- *Individualized learning packets to be provided for the student without access to technology or with disabilities that are too complex to interact with the educational platforms utilized with general education,
- *Access to personnel that usually implement special education services to the student,
- *Weekly phone calls to student with special needs to check on progress and any additional needs,
- *At any time families and/or students can contact the student's IEP case manager via the District email,
- *Access to IU related service providers via email and virtual platforms, etc.

The IEP Team OR Parent/LEA agreed that the following Goals/ SDI/Modifications/Related Services will not be provided during the period of school closure as the Goal/SDI/Modification/Related Service relates to the student receiving education within the brick and mortar school setting:

- *Transportation, *1:1 services provided by a para, PCA, Intervener, or nurse, *Med management,
- *Goals relating to peer or staff interaction within the typical school setting etc., *Related services such as OT and PT *unless* there is the ability to provide OT/PT virtually, *Goals and SDIs relating to CBI

**Note, access to counseling services and social work services, check-ins, etc. should still be able to be provided to the student via electronic means.

These SDI/Modifications/Related Services will resume following the period of closure.

The IEP Team agreed that the location of services during the period of closure is: Distance/Virtual Learning and a combination of learning platforms

The student's special education teacher/case manager can be contacted in the following way:

Via District email and District phone number

The student's general education teachers [if applicable] can be contacted in the following way:

Via District email