



Virtual Learning
For Individual Instruction

Introduction

While we realize that in-person instruction has greater impact at the elementary level, the need for virtual learning has become a reality in a variety of circumstances including the pandemic-related quarantines. Physical presence in the classroom allows time for students to develop spiritually, socially, emotionally, physically, and academically. When this is not possible, it is important to provide a means for student learning without interruption.

This guidance is for situations in which a child cannot attend class. This may be because a parent is not comfortable sending their child to school or because the child must do a limited time of quarantine.

Philosophy

The term “virtual learning” refers to instructional practices being utilized so a child can access what is taking place with his /her class by means of connecting virtually to the classroom in **real-time**.

Process

1. Google Classroom will be used as the Learning Management System to centralize materials, lessons, instruction, assessments, feedback and communications.
2. GSC will provide the parents with the power point, “A Parent’s guide to Google Classroom.”
3. The teachers will provide direct instruction via the Internet.
 - o The child is able to receive direct instruction in real time.
 - o Our textbooks, apps and other online components will be use.
4. Assessments will be taken with the class in real time.
5. Goal is mastery of curriculum so the child stays current and can return prepared to rejoin the class.
6. Parent communication will take place as needed.
7. GSC will provide a chrome book or iPad for any students who need one. Parents must sign a contract to borrow a device.

Other Considerations.

Parents and Students

1. Parents must provide a distraction free area for their child to work.
2. This area must be free from background noises, such as televisions, radios, or conversations.
3. This area should be the same every day.

4. Students must be seated at a table or desk. Books and materials should be at arms length.
5. Parents are responsible to make sure their child attends the classes and is on time. Students not present for Morning Prayers will be marked late. Students who do not show up for classes will be marked absent.
6. Assessments must be taken in real time with the class, unless a child is sick and the parents and teacher have made other arrangements.
7. Parents are responsible to check that assignments are completed and sent to the teacher in a timely manner.
8. Children must dress appropriately for school. The GSC gym shirt or golf shirt and a pair of shorts or pants would be preferred. However, other appropriate clothing is acceptable. Pajamas and clothing with cartoons are not appropriate and may not be worn.