

ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION
Placentia-Yorba Linda Unified School District

Instruction

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DISTANCE LEARNING

The Superintendent or designee shall review and select distance learning courses that are of high academic quality and are aligned with district standards and curricula. As appropriate, courses may be self-directed to allow students to complete assignments at their own pace and/or may involve real-time interaction among the teacher and students.

The Superintendent or designee shall, in collaboration with teachers, plan for schoolwide or long-term distance learning in the event of a school closure. In developing the plan, the Superintendent or designee shall analyze the course sequence, and recommend the grading policies. In such circumstances, students' social-emotional wellness shall be taken into account, and schedules and learning experiences shall be designed to build continuity, routine, and regular connections with students.

As needed, the Superintendent or designee shall provide teachers with training and ongoing support, including technological support and guidance, to effectively implement distance learning. The district shall also provide opportunities for teachers to communicate and collaborate with each other to exchange information on effective practices.

Staff shall comply with all copyright regulations in developing materials to be used in distance education courses.

The district shall take steps to ensure that distance learning opportunities are available to all students, including economically disadvantaged students, students with disabilities, and English learners. Teachers may use multiple methods of providing instruction to meet student needs. Online programming and Internet content shall meet accessibility standards for students with disabilities, including compatibility with commonly used assistive technologies.

The Superintendent or designee shall assess students' access to technological devices and the Internet and, consistent with the district's budget and technology plan, may loan devices to students to use at home and/or assist families in identifying free service providers. Students are expected to use district technology responsibly in accordance with the district's Acceptable Use Agreement. To the extent possible, the district shall make technical and academic support available to students.

Teachers shall provide regular communications to students and parents/guardians about expectations, assignments, and available resources to assist the student in the successful completion of distance learning coursework.

Approved by:

Dr. Linda Adamson 8/11/20
Responsible Division Head Date

Dr. Greg Plutko 8/11/20
Superintendent Date

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

35182.5 Contracts for electronic products or services; prohibitions

51210-51212 Course of study for grades 1-6

51220-51229 Course of study for grades 7-12

51740-51741 Authority to provide instruction by correspondence

51745-51749.3 Independent study

51865 California distance learning policy