

# Student and Family Guidance Tool: Inclement Weather and Building Closures (2024-2025)

In the event of inclement weather or any other unplanned school closure, the St. Louis Public School district may elect to have an AMI day (Alternative Methods of Instruction) in lieu of cancelling classes and instruction. The primary method for instruction on AMI days is virtual learning.

The district highly encourages parents to complete the technology agreement form to allow your child to take home their district technology. If students do not have access to technology at home, non-tech assignments will be provided to students. All students are expected to attend classes and/or complete assignments on AMI days for the day to count as an attendance day for students. If students do not login or complete work on those days, they will be marked absent.

### What can families expect prior to an AMI: Virtual Learning day?

In the event in-person learning is cancelled and an AMI day is scheduled for all SLPS students, families will receive an automated phone call from St. Louis Public Schools. Messages will also be posted on the district website, social media, and, in the case of inclement weather, may also appear on local media outlets.

## What are the expectations for students during AMI: Virtual Learning days?

#### **Virtual Learning**

- Students will login to their Microsoft Teams platform at the start of the regular school day. Students can
  access all of their class meetings and posted assignments from their Teams page. (Classroom teachers will
  provide additional guidance regarding the daily schedule and expectations for virtual
  learning.)
- Look for the blue Teams logo on district issued devices. For students using district issued devices, they should already be logged in as part of the single sign on process. If needed, parents may contact the classroom teacher for login information.
- Click here to access a step-by-step guide for students to get started with Microsoft Teams.
- If families need additional tech support contact the help desk at 314-345-5757 or HelpDesk@slps.org.

#### **Non-Tech Assignments**

- Students who do not have access to their technology outside of the school day will be given non-tech assignments to complete on AMI days prior to building closures.
- Classroom teachers and schools will communicate directly with families and provide expectations for the non-tech daily work that should be completed to count as an instructional day.
- If families have specific questions regarding non-tech assignments, they can reach out directly to the teacher or school principal.

# Additional Resource: A Day in the Life of a Virtual Student

(This is a sample schedule; classroom teachers will provide student schedules)

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Time	Sample Schedule for Virtual Student
8:00 – 8:30	Eat breakfast, get materials and technology ready for the day. (Make sure your device is charged!)
8:30 – 10:00	<ul> <li>Virtual Instructional Block: ELA</li> <li>Live lesson: 8:30 – 9:00</li> <li>Independent work time/or small group instruction/additional support: 9:00– 10:00</li> </ul>
10:00 – 11:30	<ul> <li>Virtual Instructional Block: Math</li> <li>Live lesson: 10:00 – 10:30</li> <li>Independent work time/ or small group instruction/additional support: 10:30 – 11:30</li> </ul>
11:30 – 12:00	Lunch time and movement break!
12:00 – 1:30	Virtual Instructional Block: Science/Social Studies  • Live lesson: 12:00 – 12:30  • Independent work time/or small group instruction/additional support: 12:30-1:30
1:30 - 1:45	Technology Break!!! No screens. Get up and move ©
1:45 – 2:35	Related Arts Live Lesson & Activities
2:35 – 3:22	Independent work/study time