KINDERGARTEN
Parent Resource Guide to DISTANCE LEARNING
KINDERGARTEN Teachers

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Welcome!

Listed below are the Table of Contents to help direct you through distance learning. If you click on a link, it will lead you directly to that section.

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Expectations & Frequently Asked Questions
What will it take for my child to be successful in distance learning?

Parent Expectations
- Monitor student progress on school work
- Develop a routine or schedule
- Communicate questions and concerns to teachers
- Notify teacher if your child will not be attending the daily attendance Google Meet.

Student Expectations
- Follow routine or schedule set up by parent or caregiver
- Participate in daily Google Meets to check in.
- Watch lessons provided by teachers and complete assignments according to timelines
- Communicate questions and concerns to teachers
What will it take for my child to be successful in distance learning?

**Teacher Expectations**
- Create lessons that are engaging for students using a variety of strategies
- Use *Seesaw* as the platform of instruction and links to resources
- Grade work in a timely manner and provide appropriate feedback
- Respond to parent and student questions in a timely manner (within 24 hours).

**Administration Expectations**
- Monitor and support teachers in the delivery of content for students
- Support and follow up with students and families to ensure success
What is the difference between last spring’s distance learning and the current start of school?

- Students and teachers will have required daily *Google Meets* as a check-in and for attendance-taking
- Students will have more video instruction provided by their teacher
- Students will be assessed and graded on the same instruction as students who are attending in person (when available)
- Assignments will have due dates and late assignment policy will be outlined by teacher
- Kindergarten will be using *Seesaw*
Frequently Asked Questions

Why is my child required to attend a daily Google Meet?

- The daily Google Meet is when the teacher will take required attendance. It is a time for teachers to check-in with students and for students to feel connected to their teachers.

What if my child is ill or has an appointment during his/her Google Meet time?

- Please notify your child’s teacher by email or voicemail of absence.
How will my child be assessed?

- Teachers will offer instructional feedback, whether it be through a virtual meeting or written on assignments.
- Grades will reflect mastery of content and be consistent with in-person grading expectations.
- Remember, we are “Building Our Future Together”! Please know your child’s teacher and principal are here to help. If they notice work is not being completed, they may reach out to you to see what they can do to help support your child.
Frequently Asked Questions

What devices work best in using Seesaw?

- Seesaw is compatible with iOS devices, Chromebooks, Computers with Firefox or Chrome, Android devices and Kindle Fires.

Will my child need additional books to complete distance learning assignments?

- All needed learning materials will be provided to students before the first day of class.
Frequently Asked Questions

How will I communicate with my student’s teacher?

- *Remind text messaging* is a quick option, you can send a longer message through *Seesaw*, and a phone call is also a good choice.
- Teachers will respond within 24 hours. Please remember during school hours, teachers have in-class students.
- Teachers get any messages you leave with the school office secretary.
- Teachers will respond to messages in a timely manner (within 24 hours).
Frequently Asked Questions

We understand that every family is facing their own individual set of unique circumstances during this time.

Communication is VERY IMPORTANT as we work together through distance learning.

If a student does not understand the material or assignment, they must reach out to their teacher and not wait to ask!

Students can contact their teacher through Seesaw. Teachers will reply in a timely manner.
Seesaw
Set-Up Guide
What is Seesaw?

Seesaw creates a powerful learning loop between students, teachers, and families.

Teachers and students use Seesaw to communicate, share assignments, and work together in the online learning process.
Please have access to a iOS device, Chromebook, Computer with Firefox or Chrome, Android device or a Kindle Fire.

On your chosen day to attend orientation, parents will be given 2 sign up handouts for Seesaw: one for student accounts and one for parent account. On your handout will be a QR Code you will use to set up both accounts.
Example of Handout Form

Seesaw

Aidan
Kindergarten 2019-2020 - Teacher

Connect to Seesaw to receive important updates from Aidan and Teacher in Kindergarten 2019-2020.

Your child will post to Seesaw to share their learning with you.

Teachers will also send you messages and reminders.

Seesaw is private. You'll only see posts created by your child or their teacher.

From Your Smartphone
1. Download the free Seesaw Family app for iOS or Android
2. Choose "Create Family Account"
3. Scan this QR code using Seesaw's built-in QR code scanner
4. Create your account

From Your Computer
1. In a web browser, go to: https://app.seesaw.me/s/505-737
2. Choose your child from the list
3. Create your account
4. Once you're approved by Teacher, you'll get access to Seesaw

Already Have an Account?
If you've used Seesaw before or have more than one child using Seesaw, follow these steps:
1. Sign in to your account in Seesaw Family app or on the web at https://app.seesaw.me
2. Click on your profile icon, click "+Add Child’s Journal" button, then scan the QR code above
Once you are set up on 1 device you never have to log in again.

Recommended: Please use one device for Seesaw learning. If you use more than one device you will need a new QR code to sign up on each different device and you would need additional help.
In Seesaw you will make 2 accounts:

1. **YOU** (the parent)

   ![FAMILY](image)

2. **STUDENT** (your child)

   ![CLASS](image)
From your Smartphone:

1. Download the FREE **Seesaw Family App** for iOS or Android
2. Choose “Create Family Account”
Family Set Up

3. Scan your Family QR code
4. Create your account

Sign Up as a Family Member

or Sign In with an Existing Account

First Name
johnny

Last Name
Appleseed

Email Address
seesawfamily123@gmail.com

Password
At least 8 characters

Confirm Password
Confirm Password

Create Account

or

Sign up with Google
Family Member Set Up

From a Computer:
1. Go to the individualized website address given to you by your child’s teacher on the Family setup handout

Website would look something like this... (type into a search engine)

https://app.seesaw.me/s/017-742-9
## Family Member Set Up

### 2. Choose your child from the list

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3. Create your account
4. Once you’re approved by the teacher, you’ll get access to Seesaw
Student Set Up

1. Go to http://app.seesaw.me on a computer. Or install the Seesaw Class app on iOS or Android device.
Student Set Up

2. Choose “I’m a Student

3. Scan the class QR code or type in the letter code to access your Seesaw account, and pick your child’s name
Seesaw Details
Student vs. Family Account

**Student Account:** students use creative tools to take pictures, draw, record videos and more to capture learning in a portfolio. This is the account you’ll use to turn in assignments.

**Family Account:** only see their child’s work and to communicate with teacher.
To Submit Work

- Students click on the Activities tab to see activities their teacher has assigned to them. To respond to an activity, your child should tap +Add Response in the Activities tab. Your child will be able to use Seesaw learning tools and their work will be added to their journal.
To Submit Work

Students will have these choices when submitting assignments

Post To Student Journal

- Photo
- Canvas
- Video
- Upload
- Note
- Link
Recommendation

If you need reminders about assignments, notifications when the teacher presents feedback or adds anything to the app...

Go to the Circle Icon on the top left hand corner of page
Go to “Account Settings”

Scroll down and find “Manage Notifications”

Turn on or off email and push notifications
Questions or Concerns?

If you are having issues setting up Seesaw, please contact the child’s teacher first. We will work with you to help get things started.

For a list of Metro Catholic staff, please use the following link:

http://metrocranial.org/contact-us/faculty/staff
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