BEXLEY e-LEARNING ACADEMY

We realize this time is uncertain for all of us, and each family has a unique set of circumstances and needs that may influence educational choices for the 2020-2021 school year. It is our hope that most students will be able to engage with our district through the tiered learning plan approved by the Bexley School Board on August 4, 2020. That plan includes options for fully in-person, hybrid, and fully distance learning based on the health risks in our community at any given time. But, for those students who are not able to return to campus with their classmates and teachers when that time arrives, Bexley City Schools is offering the Bexley e-Learning Academy utilizing courses provided by SchoolsPLP.

<u>Complete this form</u> for EACH student you would like to enroll in the Bexley e-Learning Academy. Registration is due <u>August 20, 2020</u>.

SchoolsPLP is a digital learning platform offering a range of courses for grades K-12. Course content is drawn from 5 leading digital content providers, including Lincoln Learning, Bright Thinker, eDynamic, BYU Online, and FYI Online Learning. The company has been delivering technology-based instruction for more than 20 years. Visit this site for more information about SchoolsPLP.

ABOUT THE COURSES

- Courses include a combination of videos, texts, and activities with assessments throughout to ensure students are mastering the standards.
- Courses are self-paced and cover the same content standards as students would find in traditional courses, although the sequence and learning activities may not be the same as on campus.
- Based on their grade level, students will be enrolled in English/language arts, math, science, and social studies courses along with one or two electives (art, music, PE, foreign language, etc.)
- Course participation and progress will be monitored by a Bexley staff member.
- The secondary courses will be posted to students' transcripts and are NCAA compliant. They will also contribute to students' grade point average (GPA).
- A Bexley staff member will serve as a case manager to monitor student participation and progress and assist with troubleshooting as needed.

STUDENT AND FAMILY EXPERIENCE

- Students and parents can monitor progress and grades for each course and for each assignment using a dashboard and other tools within the system.
- Each course includes a parent guide to help parents support students as they work through the course content.
- Students should work in each course for approximately the same amount of time they would if at school. However, because everything is ready to go online, students and families have flexibility with *when* they do their classwork.
- A Bexley staff member will serve as a case manager to monitor student participation and progress and assist with troubleshooting as needed.
- Students enrolled in the Bexley e-Learning Academy may participate in extracurricular activities and athletics in accordance with district guidelines.

Preview the student view of a <u>secondary course here</u>. Preview the student view of an elementary course here.

SUPPORTS FOR SPECIAL POPULATIONS

- Students with disabilities can have many of their accommodations embedded into the courses in accordance with their IEP or 504 plans. The IEP team will meet to review and revise the IEP as appropriate for students with IEPs who opt into the Bexley e-Learning Academy.
- The English Language Coordinator will monitor access and progress of students and will connect the family with English resources as appropriate. Students will participate in English Language assessments as required.
- Students who are gifted and have a Written Education Plan for the elementary Cog ELA course will continue to be supported by a Gifted Intervention Specialist.
- Students who are accelerated in math or take honors or many of our AP courses may access comparable courses through the digital learning platform.

All students will begin the school year together in the distance learning model using Google Classroom or Canvas as previously communicated by your building principal. Students who enroll in the Bexley e-Learning Academy will transition to the fully digital courses with SchoolsPLP when the district transitions from distance learning to hybrid learning. Based on current plans, that will occur no sooner than <u>September 28</u>. Families may choose to have their child move to instruction using SchoolsPLP in the Bexley e-Learning Academy sooner, if they wish.

Families who enroll their learner(s) in the Bexley e-Learning Academy will commit to that program for the first semester.