

Good Morning!

I hope this email finds you all well. As we progress through day 1 of our virtual trial I wanted to remind everyone of why we are doing this and also pass along some technology tips for our wifi units that may be of some help.

We understood going into this we would encounter some hurdles. We have never attempted to educate so many students synchronously. As far as I know, no one in our area has. With this being said I want to thank all of our teachers and staff for their efforts to make this a reality. We have come a long way since March 13th!

The main goal over the next remaining days is to ensure that all of our students have access to quality and synchronous education.

We want to hear from you if you are experiencing difficulties so we can address them and formulate the best possible plan for our students.

Please keep in mind that everyone is doing their best. From the teachers to the secretaries answering your calls to the administration and on and on.

I am asking everyone to please be patient and positive as we work through each hurdle together.

We all want the same thing - What is best for our kids!

It has come to my attention that some households are having some difficulties with their wifi.

Here are some tips that may be of help:

First turn the device on using the power button.

You should see the name and password for your hotspot device.

If the screen says “Set Up Required”,

click the power button 2 times in a row.

This will display the name of the wifi unit AND the password.

Write the name of the unit and password down.

On your chromebook at the bottom right, open the wifi.

You should see internet networks listed.

Find the name of your hotspot and select it.

Enter the password of the hotspot when asked.

Your chromebook should now be connected and ready to use.

These directions will be posted on the website as well under our Quicklinks section - Just click on the COVID-19 information tab

If you are still having problems, please call 814-438-7611 *3407 if you are an elementary student or 814-438-7673 *5400 if you are a secondary student.

Again, the goals of these five days are simple:

- 1) Provide an opportunity to test our virtual platform
- 2) Provide an opportunity for all stakeholders to give feedback
- 3) Improve upon what we have learned
- 4) Provide the best possible education for our students.

I thank you all in advance for your patience and understanding.