

March 29, 2020

Dear Paladin Community,

We hope this message finds you well and your family healthy. The COVID-19 global pandemic health crisis has been stressful for us all. Thank you for your continued cooperation and grace as we work to adjust to this change in our daily lives. Governor Walz has ordered school facilities closed through April 30 with hopes to resume May 5th (Executive Order 20-19). We look forward to connecting with all of our students as we start our distance learning on Monday, March 30th.

Distance Learning Plan

[You can find our distance learning plan and guiding and principles here](#) or by visiting our website.

Paladin students will engage in distance learning from home through May 4th. This will include a combination of live remote instruction and individualized, independent work. We have developed the initial plans based on a variety of innovative ideas, feedback, and collaboration. As we enter this different way of educating Paladin students, we ask for your patience and grace. Our staff is working hard to continuously improve our instruction and meet the needs of our students.

PALADIN DISTANCE LEARNING - DAILY SCHEDULE

8-8:55	Staff Meetings
9-9:55	1st Hour <i>(one-on-one with staff, independent projects, video seminar)</i>
9:55-10	Break
10-10:55	2nd Hour <i>(one-on-one with staff, independent projects, video seminar)</i>
10:55-11:30	No classes <i>(one-on-one time)</i>
11:30-12	Success Team Meetings
12-12:30	Lunch
12:30-1:25	3rd Hour <i>(one-on-one with staff, independent projects, video seminar)</i>
1:25-1:30	Break
1:30-2:25	4th Hour <i>(one-on-one with staff, independent projects, video seminar)</i>
2:25-3:30	No classes <i>(one-on-one time / Mindful Movement)</i>

Paladin staff hours are from 8 - 4:30, Monday through Friday

Student Technology and Internet Access

We are dedicated to ensuring 100% connectivity for every student in the school district. Please contact your Student's Success Coordinator (SSC) if you do not have the internet and we will do what we can to help gain access. All students should have their Chromebook or a personal device to connect to the internet.



Food & Nutrition Support

At this time, Paladin is directing all students to report to their resident district schools for meal distribution. Information about pickup locations, time windows, and other specifics have been communicated to all students and families. In addition, please see the food and nutrition support section on Paladin's website homepage for the most up-to-date resources.

[School Meal Information by School District Locations](#)

Remembering "The Why"

The purpose of Governor Walz's stay-at-home order and the decision to conduct school via distance learning is to prevent the virus from overwhelming hospitals and reduce the rate of the infection's spread. By staying home, we help slow the spread of the virus and allow our healthcare infrastructure to expand the number of patients they can care for. The compelling "why" behind our coming together as a state and doing these difficult things is to save the lives of our friends and neighbors. Our school building, therefore, is closed to students and visitors during this time. #StayAtHomeMN

Thank You

We have been overwhelmed by the understanding, support, and patience of our Paladin students, families, and community as we have quickly transitioned to an entirely new way of meeting the emotional, social, and academic needs of our students. We will get through this global pandemic health crisis together.

We've got your back; thanks for having ours!

Brandon Wait
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Distance Learning Hours:

Staff Hours M-F: 8am - 4:30pm

Student Learning Hours M-F: 9am - 3:30pm

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