

WHA's Flexible E-Learning Day Plan

What is a Flexible E-Learning Day?

An "e-learning day" is a school day facilitated through a BINGO board (Pk-5) and online instruction and access provided by the students' individual teachers (6-12) due to inclement weather. A school district that chooses to have e-learning days may have up to five e-learning days in one school year (per state statute).

Why Flexible E-Learning Days?

Flexible learning days are intended to counter the loss of curriculum momentum resulting from school cancellations due to Minnesota's winter weather. Flexible learning days cannot replace the face-to-face time students have with their teachers, but it can provide better continuity when school is interrupted. Flexible learning days also negate the need for makeup school days, helping families more effectively plan activities.

What is the Process?

Parents/Guardians will receive an automated notification, based on contact information provided to the school by each family, indicating school will be closed. Announcements will be made on Twin Cities television stations, and the school district web page (www.wha.k12.mn.us), as early as possible that school will be closed. Students should not report to school, but should engage in flexible learning activities as assigned.

What does the day look like for my student?

- **Grades PreK - 5**
 - Students in grades PreK - 5 will receive a paper copy of their grade level BINGO board in their take home folder prior to Thanksgiving break. Activities are outlined on the BINGO board and reinforce skills being taught in the classroom. These BINGO boards are also available on the elementary website should your child need another copy or to reference it. (<https://elem.wha.k12.mn.us/> and scroll down to "e-learning BINGO boards"). Directions are on each BINGO board. Depending on the age of your student, you may need to read the directions to your child. Attendance is taken by completion of the specified type of BINGO on the board (i.e. vertical, horizontal, diagonal...). Please reach out to your child's teacher with any questions.
- **Grade 6**
 - Students will receive a BINGO Board from their classroom teacher. This board will include academic activities the student will have to complete and bring to school the following day.
 - The students' BINGO boards may change throughout the year as students complete the boards given to them by their teacher.
 - Students are responsible for bringing in the board with completed activities
 - The teacher will explain to students the expectations of the bingo board by the middle of October.
 - Band/Choir and PE will be included in the BINGO board(s).
- **Grades 7-8**
 - Students will be given packets in a folder that will have activities listed for them to complete for each subject area.
 - The teacher will label the sheets for 4 e-learning days and then refill the folder if we exceed 4 e-learning days.
- **Grades 9-12**
 - Students in grades 9 - 12: Students in Grades 9-12 will follow the [Elearning Day Schedule](#) and engage in learning via [Google Meet](#). Assignments that are given on that day will have 24 hours to complete if the student attended class and if a student was absent they would have 2 days to complete the work from the snow day.

6-8 Student/Family expectations -

1. Focused on review or more practice, **not new instruction or new topics.**
2. Students should access the folder with packets from teachers
3. Students will be given explanations of how to use the folder on e-learning days.
4. Students are responsible for completing and working on the assignments and turning them in the next day.
5. Staff will be available during the day to monitor messages, emails to answer questions from students.

9-12 Student/Family expectations -

1. This should be a day of learning and instruction, not busy work. Focused on review or more practice, **not new instruction or new topics.**
2. Students should access the Google link at the regularly scheduled time.
3. Staff will provide 5-10 minutes of direct instruction on the day's learning goal.
4. Students can then be let go to complete and work on the assignments.
5. Staff will be available during that class period to monitor instant messages, emails or be in the google meet to be available for questions by students.

What is Staff Availability on an E-Learning Day?

Teachers and other licensed professionals will be available by email or via the grade-appropriate digital learning platform (Seesaw or Google Classroom) during regular school hours. The staff directory on the district website includes all district email addresses.