

Nazareth Area Middle School Flexible Instructional Day (Virtual) Guidelines

With the cancellation of school on Friday, December 23, 2022, Dr. Kaskey has reconsidered his decision to use all five (5) flexible instructional days before using traditional snow days.

The Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) allows school districts to use a FID as an alternative approach to delivering instruction if a circumstance arises that prevents instruction in a customary manner.

Circumstances include, but are not limited to, the following: a disease epidemic, a hazardous weather condition, a law enforcement emergency, the inoperability of school buses or other equipment necessary to the school entity's operation, damage to a school building, or another temporary circumstance rendering any portion of a school building unfit or unsafe for use.

The decision allows Dr. Kaskey the flexibility to analyze the circumstance and select the best course of action.

For each FID day, students should log on to their teacher's Schoology page during their normally scheduled class times (see schedule below). Students who do not log on and participate will be marked absent. Teachers will post a Zoom link on their Schoology page for **live/synchronous instruction** that is required for students to attend to be considered **present**. All teachers will provide live instruction at the beginning of each class period, and then providing with the remainder of class time will be asynchronous/independent work for students to complete based on teacher instruction. Teachers should check the Schoology Information Center for resources and assistance when planning their virtual instruction.

If a student is **absent**, a parent or guardian should follow the traditional process of excusing their child from school. If you have already submitted an affidavit or previously informed the Attendance Office that your student will be absent, you do not need to do so again. Absent students will have the opportunity to make up any work missed; students will receive one day for each day absent, just as they would for a regular school day.

If teachers are absent and unable to provide live instruction, students will not be considered absent. They should still access their teacher's Schoology page to access asynchronous work. Students can work on any outstanding work for that class if no new work has been assigned. *Teachers will post a message in Schoology to alert students if they are unavailable for live/synchronous instruction.*

The building will not be open for students to collect materials or items from classrooms or lockers. Offices will be open for virtual assistance during regular office hours.

Middle School FID Day Schedule

All students will start their day in their first academic class.

8:05am - 8:56am - Period 2

8:59am - 9:52am - Period 3

9:55am - 10:48am - Period 4

10:51am - 11:21am - Period 5 (7th Grade LUNCH)

10:51am - 11:44am - Period 5 (8th Grade)

11:24am - 12:17pm - Period 6 (7th Grade)

11:47am - 12:17pm - Period 6 (8th Grade LUNCH)

12:20pm - 1:13pm - Period 7

1:16pm - 2:09pm - Period 8