Kalamazoo RESA Head Start/GSRP

RETURN TO LEARN PLAN BASICS

(Michigan Phase 4 & 5)

Parents can choose Face-to-Face or Virtual Learning for their kids this fall.

Learning Option 1

FACE-TO-FACE

Learning

Students attend their regular scheduled calendar days (Monday – Thursday or Monday – Friday).

Head Start/GSRP teachers will implement Creative Curriculum for Preschool with fidelity, using various modes of differentiation to meet individual student needs.

Classroom staff will regularly teach, model and practice classroom expectations: Implement Positive Behavior Intervention Supports.

Classroom staff will utilize a MTSS approach to meet students' various learning needs and provide additional opportunities for practice.

Family Advocates will conduct at least two in-home visits to assist families with obtaining family outcomes and their child's early learning development.

RESOURCES

- Family Handout on Home Visiting Safety
- Head Start/GSRP Home Visiting Companion Document

HEALTH & SAFETY

Masks will be worn by all staff except for during mealtimes and those who are medically unable (reusable masks must be washed daily).

Handwashing will be taught and practiced multiple times throughout the day – adequate supplies of soap and hand sanitizer will be available.

Staff, students and approved visitors will be health screened daily, including a temperature check.

Program staff trained on symptoms of COVID-19 will follow KRESA protocols for self and students.

No large group gatherings with other classrooms or students will occur.

Sanitation and cleaning of bathrooms (light switches, sink handles, toilets, etc.), classroom furniture, and other materials multiple times throughout the day.

Students will have their own set of table toys and manipulatives to ensure no sharing of objects.

A Policy and set of procedures are established for responding to COVID symptoms, exposure, and positive tests, including distancing appropriately to the greatest extent possible.

ASSESSMENTS

Ongoing assessments will be conducted as well as Formative and Summative assessments to check for understanding and growth of learning.

TRANSPORTATION

Drivers will require the use of hand sanitizer before entering the bus.

Drivers, aides, and students, if medically able, must wear a mask on the bus.

.Prior to students boarding a bus, a temperature check must be administered, and an affidavit questionnaire completed by family.

Buses will be cleaned and disinfected before and after route.

If a student, driver, or aide becomes ill during the day, they will not be transported on the bus for the rest of the day, and will follow protocols for showing symptoms.

MEALTIMES

Students will continue to eat all meals within their classroom; or, outside at the discretion of classroom staff, weather permitting.

Staff will follow recommended CDC and MI Child Care Licensing Rules in the handling and distribution of meals.

TECHNOLOGY

Provided to program staff to support instruction and learning.

Technology materials and devices will be cleaned throughout the day, and before/after any possible sharing.

Learning Option 2

VIRTUAL

Learning

Available through December 17, 2020

Head Start/GSRP teachers will utilize the remote learning platform of SeeSaw to interact with students and families, provide asynchronous and synchronous learning opportunities Monday – Thursday, and track student progress.

Each day teachers will provide learning opportunities in the areas of literacy, numeracy, gross motor and social-emotional development.

Teachers will utilize the updated Continuity of Learning Plan as a guide.

HEALTH & SAFETY

Family Advocates will conduct a "Tele-visit" with each family on their caseload at least once every three weeks.

RESOURCES

<u>Tele-Visit Lesson Plan</u>

ASSESSMENTS

Formative and summative assessments will occur online, and/or through a live virtual option.

MEALTIMES

Food service is available through your local school district.

RESOURCES

• Kalamazoo County School Food Distribution Sites

TECHNOLOGY

A device to access the remote learning platform and live remote instruction is needed, along with an Internet or data plan.

Chromebooks are available through KRESA Head Start for students in 4-year-old program, if needed – A user agreement will need to be signed by legal quardian(s).