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## **Remote Learning Resources Available for HCS Families**

District-developed resources help guide parents and guardians to ensure positive experience

HENRY COUNTY, GA – With Henry County Schools set to start the school year with remote learning for all students on Monday, August 17, the district has developed an extensive resource library aimed at helping families navigate this learning model to ensure the best experience in the 2020-2021 school year.

From short video tutorials to enhanced resource packets, a wide array of topics are covered that families might utilize to help with this reclamation to the remote learning process.

“The remote learning experience in this school year will be a completely different experience than that which families experienced to end the previous school year,” said Superintendent Mary Elizabeth Davis. “Thanks to the rich feedback that we obtained from families and the hard work of our district leadership, we feel that everyone is even more prepared than last time to meet the challenges of teaching in a remote environment.”

With the voices of thousands of families in the district to support the enhancements that were developed, along with coordination and input from school leaders and teachers, district officials are excited to provide more tools for families to help ease the various concerns they might have from not being able to return to campuses just yet. The resources should become a go-to tool for those needing extra support at home.

The on-demand videos and resource documents for families include:

- Enrollment Help for Students New to Henry County Schools
- Technology and Device Help
- Learning Resources for Core Content Areas
- Mental Health Resources
- Social and Emotional Wellbeing
- Exceptional Student Education (ESE) Support at Home
- Testing and Report Card Information
- Language Support (ESOL or English to Speakers of Other Languages)
- Counseling and College Planning
- Community Resources

School community members can visit the district’s website and find easy access to the resources on the homepage.

“We don’t want families to feel like they are doing this alone,” said Dr. April Madden, Chief Family and Student Support Services Officer. “We are even better prepared to meet the demands and challenges of our remote learning environment in this new year, and these resources available to families should help ease the transition back to remote learning.” (MORE)

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Henry County Schools teachers have been engaged in extensive and intensive professional development over the past three weeks in an effort to make this year's remote learning experience even better than before.

With the district already having computing devices for every student and teacher, the district is in a unique and enviable position to start the year.

"Thanks to the voters of the E-SPLOST from a few years ago, our community supported the purchase of technology to ensure a 1:1 environment for our students," said Davis. "Without this, our district would not be in the good position it is today. Our teachers and students are familiar with having the technology, and that puts us in a great position to start the year in this environment until we can get students back on campus."

The resource information for families will remain throughout the duration of remote learning in the district.

For more information on Henry County Schools, visit [www.henry.k12.ga.us](http://www.henry.k12.ga.us).

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