

Dear Parents,

With respect to the welfare and safety of our students, staff and DISD family/community as a whole, COVID-19 has drastically altered the way we approach learning on a daily basis. Our department has worked tirelessly to ensure your child's Dyslexia services will continue despite the necessary safety precautions and restrictions currently in place. Our efforts include opportunities for your child to experience distance and remote learning for their services, while continuing to make ourselves available for any questions/concerns you may have during this time regarding Dyslexia. As your child's Dyslexia Interventionist, it is extremely crucial that I am able to contact you. Please provide your most updated contact information, including your email address to ensure we are able to stay connected. Please see our revised plan outlined below.

Beginning the week of March 30th, I will be conducting live *Zoom* lessons where your child and I will be able to connect and work together virtually to complete their lesson for the day. Here's what to expect:

- I will email you a link for access to the *Zoom* meeting which will also include the time. This *Zoom* link will be the same one you use each day.
- Upon completion of the *Zoom* Meeting, your student will now access an application called *SeeSaw* to complete an assigned activity. Instructions on how to use *SeeSaw* will be coming later this week.
- The expectation is for your child to attend the *Zoom* meeting everyday, Monday through Thursday while also completing assigned work in *SeeSaw*. Both attendance at the *Zoom* meeting and work submitted through *Seesaw* will serve as documentation your child(dren) has completed his/her required lesson for the day.

Parents, if you do not have access to a device to experience lessons virtually, we have created a Dyslexia packet as an alternative to the services provided. This information will be made available via email or at your child's campus for pick up. Please feel free to give me a call for questions/clarification about the handouts provided.

The work for this week is available on the same website that your child will be getting his/her classroom work.

- Got to <https://sites.google.com/dallasisd.org/athomelearningplans/home>
- On the left side you will see in white letters Special Education/ Section 504/ Dyslexia. Click here.
- Scroll down to the backpack that says Dyslexia.
- Click on the backpack or the word dyslexia underneath to view the activities/webpages

I will be in contact with you a minimum of one time per week either via email or phone to check on how your child is doing and to provide continuous support. Again, the expectation is for your child to attend 1 *Zoom* meeting per day, Monday - Thursday for 45 minutes and complete the *Seesaw* activity after each meeting.

As we begin this revised approach to supporting your child(dren), please feel free at any time to contact me either by phone or email for any questions you may have. As we start to serve students, there will more than likely be some bumps along the road. As we hit those, I ask that you have patience as we work to resolve them. If at any time you or your child has a question, please feel free to reach out to me. I will be available Monday through Friday from 8:00AM to 4:00 PM. Together we will be able to get through this time and continue to work toward our goal of helping students succeed.

Sincerely,

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