
















North Merrick Union Free School District


Instructional Plan for Distance Learning During the Covid-19 Outbreak


Multiple teacher trainings offered daily

Application	Purpose & Integration
 An illustration of a computer monitor displaying the text "Teacher Web Pages" on a green background, with a keyboard and mouse in front of it.	<p>Teacher webpages allow teachers to post assignments and links and to communicate with their classes regarding instruction.</p> <p>North Merrick Implementation: Immediately and daily upon district closure beginning March 16.</p>
 The Google Classroom logo, which consists of a green square with a white outline of a person's head and shoulders, set against a yellow background.	<p>Google Classroom facilitates paperless communication between teachers and students and streamlines educational workflow. Classroom allows teachers to create classes, post assignments, organize folders, and view work in real time.</p> <p>North Merrick Implementation: Daily beginning the week of March 23.</p>
 The Flipgrid logo, which is a green speech bubble with the word "Flipgrid" written in white.	<p>Flipgrid fosters short video-based discussions on classroom topics. Educators, learners and families can use Flipgrid at school or at home to stay connected and share their continued learning experiences.</p> <p>North Merrick Implementation: Daily beginning the week of April 6.</p>
 The Google Meet logo, which is a green speech bubble with a white video camera icon inside, and the text "Google Meet" below it.	<p>Google Meet is an application that allows teachers to safely connect with students via live video. It can be used for instruction, to hold group discussions, and to allow students to “see” one another in real time.</p> <p>North Merrick Implementation: At least twice weekly beginning week of April 26.</p>

	<p>Parent/Teacher Phone Conferencing allows teachers to keep in touch with parents and families through personal phone conversation. North Merrick Implementation: Weekly beginning weeks of March 15 & 22. As needed, thereafter.</p>
	<p>Office Hours: Teachers have at least two predetermined office hours each day to communicate with students and families as needed. North Merrick Implementation: Office Hours beginning week of March 30.</p>
	<p>Padlet is an online virtual “bulletin” board, where students and teachers can collaborate, reflect and share links and pictures in a secure location. Teachers can create a “hidden” wall that is shared by a custom URL. North Merrick Implementation: Immediately available beginning week of March 16.</p>
	<p>Kahoot allows teachers to create fun learning games to introduce, review and/or reinforce topics. It provides a formative assessment to help inform instruction. North Merrick Implementation: Immediately available beginning week of March 16.</p>
	<p>Pear Deck is an interactive presentation tool used to actively engage students in individual and social learning. North Merrick Implementation: Immediately available beginning week of March 16.</p>
	<p>DocHub allows students to annotate a PDF in google docs/classroom. North Merrick Implementation: Several teacher trainings offered in April 2020.</p>

	<p>Jamboard is an interactive whiteboard developed by Google. North Merrick Implementation: Several teacher trainings offered in April 2020.</p>
	<p>Google Forms is a web-based app used to create forms for data collection. Students and teachers can use Google Forms to make surveys, quizzes or for event registrations. North Merrick Implementation: Several teacher trainings offered in March/April 2020.</p>
	<p>North Merrick Email for Grades 4, 5, & 6: Provides teachers and students with a direct way to communicate, ask questions, and provide feedback. North Merrick Implementation: Teacher training offered in April 2020 with integration on April 27.</p>
<p>Special Events and Projects</p>	
	<p>The North Merrick Mental Health Coalition is a coalition made up of mental health professionals and district staff, faculty and parents. The meetings include, but are not limited to, providing social emotional support to students and parents, developing a virtual learning community through the crisis, and providing a forum for open communication and resource dissemination. North Merrick Virtual Mental Health Coalition Meetings: March 27, April 7, and April 30.</p>
<p>North Merrick Union Free School District</p> 	<p>North Merrick Parent University, in collaboration with the North Merrick Mental Health Coalition, is planning a virtual Parent University to guide parents through the <i>First Aid For Feelings</i> interactive workbook developed by The Yale Child Study & Scholastic Partnership. North Merrick Virtual Mental Health Coalition Parent University: May 14, 7 p.m.</p>

<p>North Merrick Family Friendly Enrichment Challenge</p> 	<p>North Merrick Enrichment Challenges offer students the opportunity to work on creative, enriching activities independently or with their siblings and/or family. Various formats are utilized for virtual submission.</p> <p><i>NM Enrichment Challenge #1: Let's Look at Those Three Little Pigs</i> released April 15.</p>
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<p>Additional Professional Development</p>	
	<p>Simple K12 offers practical online teacher training that helps teachers inspire their students, engage their learners, perfect their craft, and share their experiences.</p> <p><i>North Merrick Implementation: Several teacher trainings offered in April 2020 and ongoing.</i></p>

<p>District Subscriptions/Approved Apps/Internet Resources</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"> NewsELA PNW Boces Social Studies ABDO EBooks BrainPOP Reading A-Z Science A-Z Vocabulary A-Z RAZ Kids Typing Pal Starfall IXL Learning Discovery Education Super Teacher Worksheets Book Creator DuoLingo EDPuzzle </p>

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FieldTrip Zoom
Flocabulary
Go Noodle
Code.org
IEP Direct
Learn Zillion
NWEA
PBS Kids
Pearson SuccessNet
PowerSchool
Pow Toon
Quizlet
Readworks
Remind
Scholastic
Storyboard That
Smart Music
SMART Notebook
Teaching Tube
Typing Pal
Vimeo
Wrote to Learn
Youtube
Vooks
Khan Academy
The San Diego Zoo
The Smithsonian Museum