Virtual Summer Science Kits Developed by Lori Ingram and Wendy Efird at the Planetarium and Science Center

During the summer Anson County Schools was not able to host the Summer of Surprises nor the Science Summer Camps at the Wadesboro Rotary Planetarium and Science Center due to the pandemic. Mrs. Lori Ingram and Mrs. Wendy Efird, co-teachers at the Planetarium, created an idea to develop Virtual Science Summer Camp Kits so students could be involved with science education during the summer.

The kits were developed based on priority standards of science instruction. Anson County teachers were contacted in regards to the areas of science where weaknesses had been identified, which helped derive the basis for the activities at each grade level. Kits were developed for each grade level, K-5. The community was encouraged to come by the Anson County School District Office and pick up the kits.

Each week 60 kits were created and centered on one grade level each week. All kits were given out during the six week time period.

The response was fantastic, with many videos and pictures of students doing science experiments on the district's social media pages.







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Remote Instruction Questions? Here's What You Need To Know.

Read below and access the hyperlinks for information regarding:

- School Re-entry
- Open House Dates
- Device Distribution

Elementary Instruction K-5 - Students will receive direct instruction from 9:00 to 11:00 daily. Indirect instruction will take place from 12:00 - 2:00.

Direct Instruction - Students will receive live streamed, video resources, and guided support for learning. Students unable to work at this time will have access to recorded material.

Indirect Instruction - Students will engage with instructional activities and assignments. Teachers will provide feedback to guide learning.

Google Classroom is the learning management system for K-5 students.

- Secondary Instruction 6-13 Students will receive indirect instruction from 9:00 to 12:00 daily. Direct instruction will take place from 12:00 - 3:00.
- Indirect Instruction Students will engage with instructional activities and assignments. Teachers will provide feedback and set additional office hours to support students.
- Direct Instruction Students will receive live streamed, video resources and guided support for learning. Students unable to work at this time will have access to recorded material.

Canvas is the learning management system for 6-13 students.

Grading & Assessments:

A uniform grading structure will align to board policy 3400. All students will have a 72 hour grace period for submitting assignments. However, it is in your child's best interest to complete assignments in accordance with due dates.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Anson County Schools' employment opportunities can be found at *www.ansonschools.org*

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Attendance:

Anson County Schools will follow the established attendance policy, 4400.

Participation in and completion of assigned learning tasks will serve as attendance documentation.

All schools will offer a time for <u>material distribution</u> over the span of two days at each school; this will serve as <u>"open</u> <u>house</u>":

Elementary Schools

- August 12, from 10:00am-1:00pm and 3:00-7:00pm (last names A-K)
- August 13, from 10:00am-1:00pm 3:00-7:00pm (last names L-Z)
- Anson Middle School
- August 12, from 10:00am-1:00pm and 3:00-7:00pm (last names A-K)
- August 13, from 10:00am-1:00pm 3:00-7:00pm (last names L-Z)

Anson High School/Anson Early College/Anson Academy

- August 12 (11th & 12th Grade Only), 10:00am-1:00pm and 3:00pm-7:00pm
- August 13 (9th & 10th Grade Only), 10:00am-1:00pm and 3:00pm-7:00pm

How can I support my child?

- Review work assigned work with your child.
- Reserve a space for students to complete remote learning work.
- Encourage students to get enough sleep.
- Set sensible time limits for technology use.
- Talk to students about their work every day.
- Help students establish and follow regular daily routines.

Device & Material Distribution:

- Students loaned a Chromebook during the 19-20 school year may keep the device for use during the 2020-2021 school year.
- Any students not loaned a Chromebook will have the opportunity to receive an assigned device.
- Parents will be able to register for an External Hard Drive if they do not have internet access.
- The district is working to secure Hotspots for eligible students. Parents will have the opportunity to register device needs at Open House.
- ACS Public Wifi Partners

ACS FAQ Resource for Parents



students will be on Plan C. This means all students will receive their first 9 weeks and 3 days of instruction through remote learning. Parents/guardians will be contacted

on the homepage under the Employment tab.



the week of August 3 regarding specific information about their child's remote learning plan.

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ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS:

08/12/20: 10-1 or 3-7 (last names A-K) 08/13/20: 10-1 or 3-7 (last names (L-Z)

ANSON MIDDLE SCHOOL:

08/12/20: 10-1 or 3-7 (last names A-K) 08/13/20: 10-1 or 3-7 (last names (L-Z)

ANSON HIGH SCHOOL:

08/12/20: 10-1 or 3-7 (11th & 12th grades only) 08/13/20: 10-1 or 3-7 (9th & 10th grades only)

Schools will utilize drive through options for Open House. Principals will be communicating specific protocols for their schools. During this time, parents will complete a registration form regarding connectivity and device needs. Any student not provided a ChromeBook during the 19-20 school year will have the opportunity to receive an assigned device. School staff will collect data from families regarding internet connectivity so that the district can implement the appropriate service strategy for school re-entry.