

# THE MCS PRESS

## Madison Consolidated Schools: eLearning Days

Madison Consolidated Schools secondary students have experienced eLearning days several times during this school year. Our elementary students will prepare to learn in a virtual setting during the week of March 31 - April 4. These visionary experiences qualify our schools for snow make-up days through virtual learning.

April 18 will be our first district-wide eLearning snow makeup day. All buildings will be closed on this day, however teachers will be available during the eLearning assignment window to communicate with students virtually should students have questions. Below are a few of the expectations for the make-up day which will help you plan for this type of learning:

- *Assignments will be posted in My Big Campus (MBC). Using a learning management system, like MBC, is one of the requirements from the Indiana Department of Education. An eLearning assignment may take many different forms but basic directions, assignment information, necessary resources, and tests can all be found in the teacher's MBC class group. Parents are encouraged to check out the MBC Parent Portal to view all of their student's activity and school assignments or encourage your child to share their view.*
- *Students will have extended time to complete eLearning assignments in case there are technical difficulties, issues with internet connectivity, or prior travel plans. All assignments will be open the night before the eLearning day and students will have until the following Wednesday to finalize and submit their work.*
- *Teachers will provide contact information for students using MBC or email during the eLearning Day. It is important to realize that teachers will periodically check their group site or email to communicate with students. Teachers are unable to continually monitor their devices, due to professional development work, but should respond to requests several times during the day.*
- *Students should expect to spend the same amount of time on virtual assignments as in a typical school day. However, with eLearning students have the flexibility of completing assignments at their own pace throughout the allotted time. Encourage your student to do focused work in smaller chunks of time during the day, moving or stretching between lessons.*

Saturday, May 3, will be our final district-wide eLearning snow make-up day. The original April 30 eLearning date for secondary levels has been moved to May 3. We are looking forward to these innovative virtual learning opportunities in the months ahead! Should you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to your child's teacher, principal, or the MCS eLearning department. More information about eLearning Days can be found on the district website at [www.madison.k12.in.us](http://www.madison.k12.in.us).

## Kindergarten Connect



Madison Consolidated Schools is hosting its second annual Kindergarten Connect event where incoming kindergarten parents can connect with the school, connect with the staff, and connect with the iPad for online registration! The following is the schedule for the event:

- April 21:** 6 p.m. - 7 p.m. at Deputy Elementary School
- April 22:** 6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. at E.O. Muncie Elementary School
- April 23:** 6 p.m. - 7 p.m. at Rykers' Ridge Elementary School
- April 24:** 6 p.m. - 7 p.m. at Lydia Middleton Elementary School
- April 25:** 10 a.m. at the MCS Administration Office

For more information, please visit "MCS\_Indiana" on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and [www.madison.k12.in.us](http://www.madison.k12.in.us).

## E.O. Muncie: Canopy Removal

The concrete canopy above the walkways at E.O. Muncie Elementary School will be removed during our scheduled spring break. The canopy has deteriorated to a point that it is no longer a safe structure. Demolition will begin Friday, March 21, after school and may continue through Saturday, March 29.

The E.O. Muncie Elementary campus will be partially open to teachers during the break. However, if parents need to enter the building please contact the administration building by calling 812.274.8001.

Madison Consolidated Schools is committed to the safety of our students, employees, and patrons. We appreciate your patience during this time.



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