



Program for Exceptional Children Plan for 2020-2021 School Year

For the 2020-2021 school year, parents have the opportunity to select an instructional model for their children. Parents can choose in-person instruction or remote learning. While it is the belief of our special education leadership team that in person instructional models are best suited for most of our special education population, we understand that parents must have input and feel comfortable with the choice they make for their child.

BCSD special education leaders and teachers have been in ongoing collaboration on how to best assist the remote learning process and are providing this document to assist in answering questions parents may have.

What will remote instruction for students with disabilities look like for the 2020-2021 school year?

The primary instructional platform we will be using is Edgenuity. We believe this platform will work well for most special education students. Students with severe cognitive disabilities will have their instruction delivered by special education teachers using Google Classroom, with the focus being on delivery of Extended Content Standards, which are the Georgia Standards of Excellence for students with significant cognitive impairments. Additionally, the teachers of these students will use other alternative platforms that offer the support these students need--specifically, TeachTown Basics, News 2 You/Unique, and ClassDojo. ClassDojo has been upgraded to allow teachers to send home teacher-created supplemental instructional materials to their students.

How will my child receive related services if I select remote learning?

Students receiving Speech, Occupational Therapy and/or Physical Therapy, and have chosen remote learning, will have their services delivered online. The therapists will make their own Google Classroom and deliver related services remotely.



Will schools continue to hold IEP meetings?

Yes. BCSD is committed to providing families the opportunity for meaningful participation in the special education process. IEP teams will proceed with IEP meetings, including meetings to discuss transition (ex. 5th grade to 6th grade, 8th grade to 9th grade, etc.). IEP teams will partner with families to determine the most practical format to conduct meetings. All required team members will participate.

What if my child is in the evaluation process?

BCSD will continue to identify, locate, and evaluate students suspected of having a disability and needing special education and related services. We are mindful that students have been displaced from their typical learning environment when initiating the referral process. Evaluations may be conducted remotely or in person while adhering to public health guidelines.

I am concerned about my child's progress. What should I do?

IEP teams will meet to review each student's progress by mid-September. Parents may decline this meeting.

Will my child receive appropriate accommodations if I choose remote learning?

Yes. All students learning remotely will be provided their specified accommodations per their IEP or 504 Plan. The IEP team will work collaboratively to determine appropriate accommodations.

What if my child is medically vulnerable?

School health staff will develop or review medical plans in consultation with the family and the child's doctor for medically vulnerable students.



My child was in the process of having a hearing & vision screening done as part of an evaluation. When/how will this be completed?

Vision & Hearing Screenings that were suspended during closure have resumed, with all parties adhering to safety protocols.

Will the social worker/family services coordinator be available to assist me with the needs of our family?

Mrs. Donna James serves as the social worker for students with disabilities. She will continue to be available to assist families and can be reached via email: Donna.James@Baldwin.k12.ga.us or (478)-457-2919.

What do I do if I have a question regarding my child's IEP?

As always, if you have a question about your student's IEP, please contact the special education staff at your student's school. We are happy to assist you in any way possible.

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What if my student has a technology issue with her/his assigned Chromebook?

You should report any technology issues to his/her teacher. The teacher will then report these issues to the appropriate contact.



Will students be participating in community based instruction/field trips?

There will be no field trips in the community at this time.