

Dear LGMS parents,

I want to take this opportunity to thank you for being a supportive member of the LGMS school community; thank you for your patience and your trust in us as we navigate through the uncharted waters of opening schools during our current situation.

As the first day of school approaches, many parents of e-students have expressed questions about how their child will receive instruction, how they will attend e-school, and how they will communicate with their teachers. As a parent of an e-student, I understand the validity of these questions, and the need to provide some answers. It is my hope that this document provides some assistance and some much-needed answers.

The platform that students will use for eLearning is called “Schoology”. This one stop platform will host all lessons, all assignments and documents, and it will enable teachers to chat, message, and video conference with students. There won’t be a need to log on to any other platforms or systems. Instructions on how to log in to “Schoology” and some answers to other more specific frequently asked questions (FAQ) have been posted on our Facebook page and on our website. The instructions are very easy to follow, and they should get students into the system—up and running on Monday, August 24th.

The goal is for teachers to be able to video conference with students, to teach lessons through both pre recorded and live video sessions. At this moment the school district is working hard to finalize the process that will enable video lessons. It is our hope that our teachers will be able to utilize the video features for their lessons on Monday, August 24th; however, if we run into delays on the video features, students will still be able to log in to “Schoology” (and their classes) to view and complete assignments, to answer discussion questions, complete tasks, and to follow any other instructions assigned by their teacher; they will also be able to “chat” with their teacher through the comment box or the direct message feature. So even if the video system is not quite ready on Monday, August 24th, the children and the teachers will still be able to “have class.” 😊.

One last thing! Please remember that your child will be expected to be logged in to “Schoology” and to their courses at their scheduled time (as per their schedule).

I hope this is helpful

Thanks again for your support

