



PIONEER UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
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Dear Pioneer Families -

In preparation for the start of the 2020-2021 school year, in accordance with orders issued by the governor and the California Department of Public Health (CDPH), what follows is a brief snapshot of PUESD's plan for daily distance learning for all of its elementary aged students. Kings County is currently on California's "COVID Watchlist" and must remain closed to on-site instruction. In order to resume in-person instruction at district sites, Kings County must meet a series of requirements related to COVID testing and new case data.

District staff has been working diligently to prepare the best possible education for each child within the parameters given. Distance learning during the 2020-2021 school year will include:

- Mandatory daily attendance taken by teachers
- Daily schedules for every student
- Standards based instruction
- Assigned work that will be graded and recorded
- Regularly scheduled issuance of progress reports and report cards
- Daily live interaction with teachers and peers
- Daily office hours for teacher availability
- Regular small group time with instructional staff for each student.

All plans have been developed based on guidelines set forth by the State of California, including a minimum number of synchronous and/or asynchronous instructional minutes each day; daily contact between students, their peers, and certificated personnel; and a combination of teacher guided instruction and independent work. Additionally, the district will continue to use state-adopted instructional materials and work to provide support to students who need it either academically or socio-emotionally.

It is our sincere hope that in these uncertain times, we can be a source of support for you and your student(s). Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact your child's school via phone or email.



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### TK-Kinder Schedule

Time	Day	Activity
8:30 -9:30	Monday Tuesday Thursday Friday	<b>Group 1 - Virtual Live Instruction</b> Half of each kindergarten class will be online receiving direct instruction from their teacher in <i>Math and Language Arts</i> .
9:30-9:45	M-T-TH-F	<b>Break</b>
9:45-10:45	Monday Tuesday Thursday Friday	<b>Group 2 - Virtual Live Instruction</b> The other half of each kindergarten class will be online receiving direct instruction from their teacher in <i>Math and Language Arts</i> .
10:45-11:15	Monday Tuesday Thursday Friday	<b>Office Time:</b> Teachers will be available for phone calls or Zoom meetings with parents, students, and/or caregivers. Appointments can be taken if needed. Instructional staff may use some of this time to work in small groups with selected students.
11:15-12:00	M-T-TH-F	<b>Lunch Break</b>
12:00-2:30	Monday Tuesday Thursday Friday	<b>Small Group Support - Virtual Live Instruction</b>  Teachers will meet in selected small groups with students in half-hour blocks. Students will be grouped based on data and scheduled in advance. Groups will be stable and consistent for multiple weeks at a time as appropriate.  Families with students who receive services through an IEP will be contacted by their support provider to set up virtual appointments.

**Students will have additional independent practice and assignments to complete each day to support and supplement the virtual live instruction.**



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### 1st and 2nd Grade Schedule

Time	Day	Activity
8:30 -10:30	Monday	<b>Whole class instruction - Virtual Live Instruction</b>
	Tuesday	<b>Math and Language Arts</b>
	Thursday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Teacher demonstration, modeling and instruction</li> <li>• Guided practice for students</li> <li>• Opportunities for teacher to check for understanding</li> <li>• Opportunities for students to engage with teacher and classmates</li> </ul>
	Friday	
10:30-10:45	M-T-TH-F	<b>Break</b>
10:45-11:15	Monday	<b>Office Hours</b>
	Tuesday	Teachers will be available for phone calls or Zoom meetings with parents, students, and/or caregivers. Appointments can be taken if needed.
	Thursday	Instructional staff may use some of this time to work in small groups with students.
	Friday	
11:15-12:00	M-T-TH-F	<b>Lunch Break</b>
12:00-2:30	Monday	<b>Small Group Support - Virtual Live Instruction</b>
	Tuesday	Teachers will meet in selected small groups with students in half-hour blocks. Students will be grouped based on data and scheduled in advance. Groups will be stable and consistent for multiple weeks at a time as appropriate.
	Thursday	
	Friday	
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### 3rd-5th Grade Schedule

Time	Day	Activity
8:30 -10:30 am	Monday	<b>Whole class instruction - Virtual Live Instruction</b>  <b>Math and Language Arts</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Teacher demonstration, modeling and instruction</li> <li>● Guided practice for students</li> <li>● Opportunities for teacher to check for understanding</li> <li>● Opportunities for students to engage with teacher and classmates</li> </ul>
	Tuesday	
	Thursday	
	Friday	
10:30-10:45	M-T-TH-F	<b>Break</b>
10:45-11:15	Monday	<b>Office Hours</b> Teachers will be available for phone calls or Zoom meetings with parents, students, and/or caregivers. Appointments can be taken if needed. Instructional staff may use some of this time to work in small groups with students.
	Tuesday	
	Thursday	
	Friday	
11:15-12:00	M-T-TH-F	<b>Lunch Break</b>
12:00-2:30	Monday	<b>Small Group Support - Virtual Live Instruction</b>  Teachers will meet in selected small groups with students in half-hour blocks. Students will be grouped based on data and scheduled in advance. Groups will be stable and consistent for multiple weeks at a time as appropriate.  Families with students who receive services through an IEP will be contacted by their support provider to set up virtual appointments.
	Tuesday	
	Thursday	
	Friday	

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**Wednesday Schedule**  
**Teacher Collaboration and Professional Development**

Time	Activity
8:30-9:00	<b>Whole class - Virtual Live Instruction</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Attendance taken</li> <li>● Review independent student distance learning for the day. Check for understanding.</li> <li>● Class community building activity, if time permits</li> </ul>
9:00-10:00	<b>Office Hours</b> Teachers will be available for phone calls or Zoom meetings with parents, students, and/or caregivers. Appointments can be taken if needed. Instructional staff may use some of this time to work in small groups with students.
<b>Independent Student Distance Learning</b>	Students will have assignments and independent practice to complete on Wednesdays. These assignments will support the learning from the virtual live instruction. It may also include enrichment lessons and activities in the areas of science, social studies, PE, etc.