

Rahway School District
Guidance for Virtual or Remote Instruction
2021-2022

Virtual or remote instruction can happen for a student individually, as a small group, as a whole class section, or the building at large.

To date in the 21-22 school year, the Rahway School District (RSD) has only experienced individual or small groups of students needing virtual instruction (VI). Essentially VI will be provided as it was last year (20-21).

For individuals though whole sections, students will immediately receive virtual instruction after the district receives the student's positive COVID test or if the student(s) were determined by a district nurse to be a close contact of a positive COVID tested person.

When a whole building needs to switch to VI, the VI will begin as soon as practical after the school closure due to a significant COVID outbreak or mandated closure by the DOH (state, county, or local units of the DOH).

Length of VI day.

For all but our pre-K and K students, VI will follow the typical day as closely as possible and so would be longer than 4 hours of instruction, excluding lunch and recess. VI will be broken into computer and non-computer activities to give all involved age-appropriate breaks from working on a computer screen.

Our typical school days are:

- Elementary - 8:36am to 2:53pm.
- Academy – 8:20am to 2:55pm.
- High School – 8:00am to 2:35pm.

Pre-K and K students will have about 60 minutes of screen time instruction with other age-appropriate asynchronous activities planned.

Internet accessibility.

RSD is able to provide this level of VI because we have gone 1:1 with computer devices (iPads and Chromebooks) and have collaborated with the City of Rahway in providing hot spots so that ALL families have the needed internet access.

Meals.

During a district-wide closure, school meals will be distributed from our schools as was done last year in a Grab-and-Go manner from a subset of our schools, likely the 7th & 8th Grade Academy, Roosevelt, and Cleveland Schools from 7:00am to 11:00am. Details will be posted to our district website as locations and hours will be adjusted to meet our community's needs.