

Virtual Orientation

Dr. Shannon Watkins



- Today, we will provide information to students and parents regarding the expectations for the upcoming year in our virtual learning program.

AGENDA

- Introduction
- Attendance
- Student Expectations
- Resources
- Parent Expectations
- Teacher Expectations
- Deadline
- Questions
- Closure



Introduction

- Dr. Shannon Watkins
- Virtual School Coordinator
- Email: shannon.watkins@tangischools.org
- Email: virtual@tangischools.org
- Phone: 985-415-2410

Attendance

- Click on the chat feature at the bottom of the screen and indicate your child's name and home-based school.
- For example, Shannon Watkins, Ponchatoula High School

Student Expectations

- Students must abide by the student code of conduct for dress code and behavior expectations.
- If students are struggling, have questions, or need help, they should reach out to the teacher via email or the OnCourse message platform.
- Students are still home-based at a school.
- Those schools will receive notices, test scores, and information regarding your status.

Student Expectations

- Students must attend state testing in the Spring. This is mandatory to remain in the program moving forward.



- Teachers will set up Zoom sessions to conduct lessons throughout the day.
- Students are responsible for attending the lessons.
- Teachers will email and post information and schedules in the OnCourse platform.

LIVE LESSONS

- It is important for students to actively participate and engage in content and lessons when they are online.
- Virtual students are required to participate in ZOOM via the chat feature, breakout room, poll feature, or interactive question and answer time.
- Students are required to show their face on camera dressed in a school uniform at all times.



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- All assignments must be completed by the deadline.
 - Not completing assignments have negative impacts on grades.
 - Please complete and submit work in a timely manner.
 - Students who are struggling could be required to attend intervention time or help sessions for additional information and guidance.

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- One on one time with teachers
 - Small group instruction
 - Struggling students
 - Additional help and guidance
 - Support
 - Encouragement and motivation



Intervention



Attendance Matters

Every student. Every day.

- Students must log into OnCourse daily.
- Teachers will track attendance daily, weekly, and monthly.
- Teachers will reach out to students who are not completing assignments via email and parent contact.



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- Students can and will be reported to Truancy Court for not attending lessons, not completing assignments, or not participating in the virtual learning program as directed.
 - Attendance is mandatory.

- Students are responsible for checking emails daily.
 - Check OnCourse messages.
 - Check OnCourse for any student assignments.
 - **THIS IS MANDATORY!**
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- District issued device
- Chromebooks are monitored closely by teachers and the district.
- We can access email, messages, and information from the device.
- Violations of the Acceptable Use Policy could result in disciplinary action.
- Insurance fee paid to the home based school
- \$20 each year



- Please take out your Chromebook to perform any updates. This might be a Google update or Chrome update.
- Charge Chromebooks now so they are ready for the start of school.
- You must bring your Chromebook to your home base site for any technology issues.

- Follow the TPSS FB page for current information.
 - School FB pages also post current information.
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- Not all Jump Start pathways are available virtually.
 - Only pathways include Arts, AV Technology and Communications, Business Management, Transportation, Distribution, and Logistics, Information Technology.
 - Dual enrollment and advanced placement courses are limited to what is available through the Supplemental Course Academy.
 - Examples: Welding is not offered.



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- Live lessons will be conducted for high school students.
 - Work must be completed on time.
 - It's not just by the end of the week this year!

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- [Virtual Learning Website](#)
 - [Student Resources](#)
 - [Student Tech Tips](#)
 - [Online Textbooks](#)
 - [Family Toolkit](#)



Parent Expectations

- Check OnCourse Connect to monitor grades and assignments.
- Email the teacher!!!
- Provide assistance as needed.

Parent Expectations

- Students in K-4 should have an adult learning partner present during Zoom lessons and to assist students with videos and assignments.
- Remember students must wake up and log in everyday! Please assist us with ensuring your child participates in as normal a schedule as possible.
- Provide a designated work space for your child.

Parent Expectations

- Encourage others to respect the time designated for instruction and completing assigned tasks.
- Ensure your child has your current and correct contact information.
- Ensure your child follows the student code of conduct for dress code and behavior expectations.

Teacher *Expectations*

- Will provide assignments, lessons, videos, ZOOM meetings.
- Will check email multiple times daily.
- Will have engaging lessons and motivate students to excel.
- Will provide ongoing feedback to students.
- Will ask questions throughout lessons to check for understanding.
- Will provide rigorous student work and assignments.



- Should you choose to change from virtual to traditional, the deadline is July 28.
- Notify me by email, shannon.watkins@tangischools.org, by July 28.
- No changes can be made after this date.



- Students must remain in the virtual learning program for the entire school year!!

Questions





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- We truly hope to have a successful year and see students succeed, grow and excel in our virtual learning environment.
 - Please feel free to email me, call me, reach out to the teachers, or get in touch with someone if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank You!

