On Campus or Remote?

In addition to the traditional "On Campus" method of educating our students, the Texas Education Agency has also approved virtual, or "Remote," methods of instruction. During the upcoming school year, Cayuga ISD students in Kindergarten through Grade 12 will have the option of either On Campus or Remote instruction.

Students participating in the Remote instructional program will receive daily lessons and assignments from their teachers using an on-line or web based platform. However, the compulsory attendance provisions of the Texas Education Code (Section 25.092. – Minimum Attendance for Class Credit or Final Grade) will remain in effect for all students, both On Campus and Remote. Just as their On Campus peers, the students receiving Remote instruction will be required to be "present" or in attendance for at least ninety percent (90%) of the school days shown on Cayuga ISD's 2020-2021 calendar. More specifically, for students participating in Remote instruction to be counted "present" or in attendance, they must be engaged in at least one of the following ways for at least 90% of the days included in each school semester.

To be counted present for a school day, students opting for the Remote instructional program will be required to:

- show daily progress in Cayuga ISD's on-line learning management system,
- participate in some form of **daily** interaction with their teacher(s), and/or
- complete and submit their teachers' daily assignments and tests.

In addition to the matter of complying with our state's attendance laws, here are other important elements of the Remote instructional program that should be considered in your family's decision.

- Cayuga ISD's Remote instructional program will be considerably different than the effort we made last spring to provide remote learning activities using packets of lessons and activities. This year, the school's academic expectations of Remote students will be equivalent to the rigor of the traditional On Campus instructional program.
- The decision to receive either On Campus or Remote instruction is a six weeks commitment. Once an option is selected, students will not have the ability to change from On Campus to Remote instruction or vice versa until the end of the current six weeks grading period.
- Your family's access to internet service and the types of electronic devices required for the school's on-line curriculum should be carefully considered prior to opting for Remote instruction.
- Grading of assignments and tests given through the Remote instructional program will be consistent with the grading guidelines and regulations of the On Campus program.
- Secondary students opting for the Remote instructional program will be allowed to attend and participate in On Campus classes only, if and when, one of their scheduled classes includes a required On Campus component. Otherwise, all students opting for Remote instruction will not be allowed to attend or participate in On Campus classes.