

## Plainwell Learning Information and Terms for 2020-2021

Fully Virtual	Hybrid/Remote Learning
<p><b>Expectations:</b>            *Many of you now have synchronous courses (English, Math, Physics, Spanish)- be mindful of these expectations.            * Ability to advocate for oneself to teachers. Teachers are available during the school day in all subject areas for virtual learners.            *Communicate twice a week with your designated virtual mentor teacher.            *Check email a minimum of twice a day.            *Daily log-in into Buzz.            * Ability to problem-solve independently.            *Ability to create calendars and to-do lists.            *Ability to meet guidelines and meet deadlines.            *Able to follow a self-created daily schedule and work daily.            *Reduced distractions and a set work space.            *Ability to self-regulate non-academic distractions (phones, TV, games, etc).  <b>*Students are responsible for completing 6 classes a trimester; these grades will become a part of the student’s permanent transcript.</b>  <b>*Students should expect to spend the same amount of time daily on work as students that are hybrid/remote.</b></p>	<p><b>Expectations:</b>            *Students will attend class Monday through Friday for all 6 periods each day.            * Students should be ready to learn and devices charged.            *Students will have school materials available to complete school work and Chromebooks charged and in use.            *Attendance will be taken by the teacher for all class periods.            * Check and respond to emails from teachers daily.  <b>When working remotely:</b>            *Students will remain <b>visible</b> on video with the teacher during instruction. Students will be mute or unmute per the teacher instructions.            *Reduced distractions and a set work space.            *Ability to self-regulate non-academic distractions (phones, TV, games, etc).  <b>*Students are responsible for completing 6 classes a trimester; these grades will become a part of the student’s permanent transcript.</b></p>
<p>Commitment to the entire trimester. Cannot come back mid-trimester into the hybrid/remote option.</p>	<p>Able to switch to fully virtual at the end of a trimester. Depending on the individual situation, we will work with families.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Fully at home learning</p>	<p><b>When hybrid:</b> In-person school two days a week for in-person learning. Zoom in 2-3 other days, per individual teacher expectation.</p> <p><b>When remote during hybrid learning:</b> Zoom in 4 days a week from home; Wednesdays are per individual teacher expectation.</p>
<p>Limited PHS electives. Only these PHS electives available: Senate (previous application required), Choir, Band, Tech Center (11/12) ONLY available.            All other electives will be from the BYU catalog.</p>	<p>All regular PHS elective classes are available.</p>

<p>Limited synchronous academics: AP classes and Pre-Calculus classes are the only academics available for synchronous learning.</p>	<p>All synchronous classes during remote learning; when we return to school in the hybrid model; two days a week will be synchronous, and three days a week will be asynchronous at home.</p>
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### **Glossary of Learning Terms:**

**Asynchronous Learning:** This means that there are no expectations that the class is going to "meet" at a particular time and/or place (even online). The students can engage the material at any time and participate fully in the class.

**Fully Virtual:** Working fully at home with all learning being done through asynchronous learning.

**Group A:** Monday and Thursday in-person synchronous learning. Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday asynchronous learning at home.

**Group B:** Tuesday and Friday in-person synchronous learning. Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday asynchronous learning at home.

**Hybrid:** Hybrid classes have both online (asynchronous) and (synchronous) components. Students will be in school two days a week for synchronous learning (either Group A or Group B). The other three days a week students will engage in asynchronous learning activities at home.

**NCR:** No-credit, students in the third trimester of the 2019-2020 school year may have earned NCR if they did not complete enough work.

**Remote Learning:** Synchronous learning from home five days a week. Students are expected to tune in daily with their PHS teachers.

**Synchronous:** Students will tune in daily for real-time learning activities and lessons with their PHS teachers. Interactions will be in real time. This learning model provides a pace and structure to the class to help keep students engaged and on-pace.

**Virtual Help Desk:** Committed PHS staff will be available for fully virtual learners at home to call in for help regarding all online courses.

### **Frequently Asked Questions:**

#### **1- Schedule change-**

Students need to complete the schedule request form, found here:

<https://forms.gle/ZfU2nyvwAqxpTX6>

Please know changes will be incredibly limited. **The trimester 2 schedule changes request deadline has now passed. This form is closed until we open it for T3 changes.**

#### **2- Who is my student's counselor?**

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#### **3- Do you still have a college adviser? We need help with applications, FAFSA, scholarships, etc.**

Yes, we are lucky to have this position for another year. Her name is Makenzie Evers and she can be reached here: [collegeadviser@plainwellschools.org](mailto:collegeadviser@plainwellschools.org)

**4- I keep hearing “THSS” in meetings, and it appears on my student’s schedule. What is this class?**

2nd trimester THSS is going to be a focus on academic and study skills. All students will have THSS except for the following exceptions:

- 12th grade students that need a graduation requirement
- AM Tech center students that need a graduation requirement
- PM Tech Center students
- PM ECAC students
- Students electing to take more advanced electives through MIVHS (AP)
- Symphonic Band and Wind Ensemble
- Math retakes (Algebra 1, Algebra 2, Geometry A)
- Fully virtual seniors in synchronous English 12B
- Dual Enrollment Students

**5- What is going on with the community service requirement?**

This is a graduation requirement. You need 40 hours of community service. However, due to the COVID-19, community service is on hold for now but if you have an opportunity to complete some of your hours, go for it.