

School Calamity

Prior to August 1st of each school year, the Head of School is authorized to adopt a plan to require students to access and complete classroom lessons posted on the School's web site in order to make up hours in that school year on which it is necessary to close the School due to disease epidemic, hazardous weather conditions, law enforcement emergencies, inoperability of school buses or other equipment necessary to the school's operation, damage to a school building, or other temporary circumstances due to utility failure rendering the school building unfit for school use (collectively referred to as "School Calamity"), so that the School is in compliance with the minimum number of hours required under Ohio law.

A plan adopted by the School shall provide for making up any number of hours due to a School Calamity, up to a maximum of the number of hours that are the equivalent of three school days.

Prior to November 1 of each school year, each classroom teacher shall develop enough lessons for each course taught by the teacher that school year to cover the number of make-up hours specified in the plan. The teacher shall designate the order in which the lessons are to be posted on the School's web site in the event of a closure.

As soon as practicable after a closure, a School employee responsible for web site operations shall make the designated lessons available to students on the School's site. A lesson shall be posted for each course that was scheduled to meet on the day or hours of the closure.

Each student enrolled in a course for which a lesson is posted on the portal or site shall be granted a two-week period from the date of posting to complete the lesson. The student's classroom teacher shall grade the lesson in the same manner as other lessons. The student may receive an incomplete or failing grade if the lesson is not completed on time.

In addition to posting classroom lessons online, the School may include in the plan distribution of "blizzard bags," which are paper copies of the lessons posted online.

If the School opts to use blizzard bags, teachers shall prepare paper copies in conjunction with the lessons to be posted online and update the paper copies whenever the teacher updates the online lesson plans.

The School shall specify in the plan, the method of distribution of blizzard bag lessons, which may include, but not be limited to, requiring distribution by a specific deadline or requiring distribution prior to anticipated school closure as directed by the head of school.

If the School implements a blizzard bag plan in accordance with this Policy, then it shall not be considered to have failed to comply with the minimum number of hours required under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code with respect to the number of make-up hours specified in the plan.

If a student does not have access to a computer at the student's residence and the plan does not include blizzard bags, the student shall be permitted to work on the posted lessons at School after

the School reopens. If the lessons were posted prior to the reopening, the student shall be granted a two-week period from the date of the reopening, to complete the lessons. The School may provide the student access to a computer before, during, or after the regularly scheduled school day or may provide a substantially similar paper lesson in order to complete the lessons.

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The Eagle Learning Center has a policy approved by the Governing Board referring to School Calamity policy #2580. Based on this policy the ELC will not use 'blizzard bags.' The students will be allowed to work on the current learning management system (LMS) online 24/7 to allow continuity in their educational program. In addition, school calamity/cancelation days will be made up at the end of the calendar year.