



Dear Families of Elementary Students,

Over the past several days, Westport educators have been working to develop At Home Learning Modules in the event that school is closed for several days. It is our hope that during a school closing, these Learning Modules provide students with opportunities to learn and grow. The modules include educational activities designed to reinforce and practice previously learned concepts, preview content in preparation for a return to school, and extend understanding of previously learned concepts to new and deeper levels. We do not expect parents or caregivers to provide instruction, but rather to support children in this learning by encouraging reading, writing, problem solving, and observing. The work included in the K-5 modules is highly recommended, but not required.

Today, your child brought home from school activity packets to complement those modules. These packets include the hard copies necessary to complete the activities described in the Learning Modules. Each grade level has four, week long modules that include all subject areas. Instructions for the Learning Modules can be found on our district’s newly created [At Home Learning site](#). If for any reason you find that a hard copy is missing, rest assured that links to any materials needed can be found in the Learning Module Instructions.

Most children benefit from a predictable daily routine and will be without this familiar structure during a school closing. With this in mind, we are providing a sample schedule that parents may choose to follow while schools remain closed. If these times do not work for your family, we encourage you to create one that does and share it with your child.

Sample K-2 Schedule	Sample 3-5 Schedule
9:00 - Social Skills 9:20 - Reading 9:50 - Writing 10:10 - Movement (see PE activities) 10:25 - Word Work 10:35 - Math 11:05 - Lunch 11:35 - Science/SS (M/W/F) or Art (T/Th) 12:05 - Spanish (M/W/F) or Music (T/Th) 12:25 - 12:40 - Movement (see PE activities)	9:00 - Social Skills 9:15 - Reading 10:00- Writing 10:45 - Movement Break (see PE activities) 11:00 - Math 11:45 - Lunch 12:10 - Science/SS (M/W/F) or Art (T/Th) 12:40 - Spanish (M/W/F) or Music (T/Th) 1:10 - 1:25 Movement Break (see PE activities) *Additional instrumental practice daily

We hope you find these resources to be helpful in keeping your child engaged in the learning process throughout the duration of our school closure. On the following page, you’ll find more information about the design approach used to build the modules for each subject area.

Sincerely,
Westport’s Elementary Administrative Team

Designing Learning Modules

Math and Science learning modules were designed with a “menu” approach in mind. Students or parents can choose from one of five activities each day of the week, or mix and match those activities within a single day. The math and science learning modules were designed to reinforce and deepen understanding of priority content that has already been explored in class. Your child should have some level of independence with all activities, but may require some help clarifying directions (this is especially true for our younger students). Please note: For math, we have printed and sent home student activity packets for Modules 1 and 2 in Grades 1-5. In an effort to conserve paper, activity sheets for Modules 3 and 4 for are available on the [At Home Learning site](#). The site also includes electronic versions of the activity sheets for Modules 1 and 2 that were sent home with students today.

Literacy and social studies modules include daily reading, writing, and other activities that students should be able to complete independently, or with little assistance. They were designed to provide continuity of reading and writing workshop and to extend learning or preview new ideas in social studies. K-2 students may complete activities in the packets or on any kind of paper they choose. Students in grades 3-5 may complete writing activities in a Google doc, in a notebook, or on any paper students have available. The reading, writing, and social studies modules were written to be followed in order. Each day/week builds upon the last. All modules for reading, writing, and social studies are available on the [At Home Learning Site](#).

Art, Music, Physical Education, and Spanish modules were also developed with a menu approach. Each day, your child may choose from a variety of activities such as making up a new cartoon character (art), singing echo and call and response songs (music), finding out how many times they can run around their house (outside!) in five minutes (PE), and drawing a picture of their family and labeling things in Spanish.