# RETURN TO SCHOOL - VIRTUAL STYLE SCHOOL BOARD WORK SESSION

# WORK SESSION AGENDA

Update Information:

Enrollment

Teacher Data

What School Looks Like... Learning in a Virtual World

Elementary School (Primary and Elementary)

Middle School

High School

# UPDATE INFORMATION

#### Enrollment (as of 8/26)

- ❖ Elementary: 5,924
- ❖ Middle: 3,135
- ♦ High: 4,425
- ❖ K-12 Total: 13,484

#### Students coming to buildings in Stage 2 (to date):

- Middle:
- ## High:
- ❖ K-12 Total:

### TEACHERS

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New Teachers - 117

Veteran - 81 (68%)

Novices - 36 (32%)

Teachers in Person
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Learning Coaches

Pre-service Days

# WHAT SCHOOL LOOKS LIKE ...

Synchronous and Asynchronous

#### **Elementary**

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Schedules: Elementary: K-2 (Kristen Williams)
3-5 (Tishia Wilson)
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SeeSaw Demonstration: Jennifer Bedenk

#### Middle and High School

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Schedules: Middle (Megan Wood) & High (Jason Lee)
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Schoology Demonstration

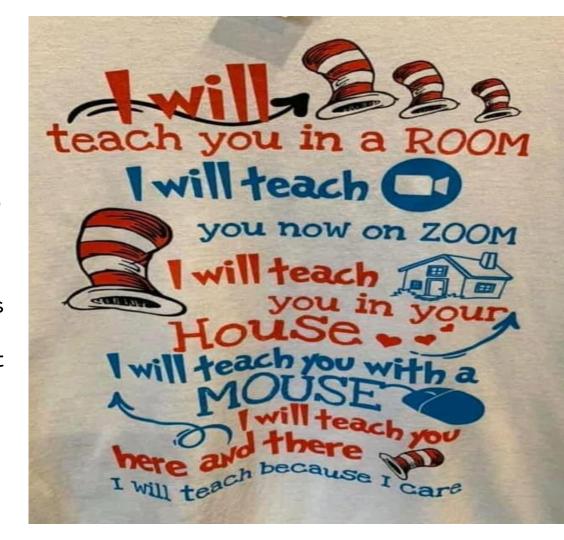
(John Mitchem LTI - Erin Percival SMS - Kate Innes WAHS)

### LEARNING IN A VIRTUAL WORLD

Synchronous instruction is provided by a teacher to students at the same time and may include full-class, small-group, or one-on-one instruction.

Asynchronous instruction is provided by a teacher to students who participate at a separate time from when the instruction occurs.

**Zoom** is how all teachers will deliver direct instruction.



# ELEMENTARY

Key principles considered:

Develop a schedule that:

Supports student learning

Has flexibility for students and parents

Provides time for synchronous and asynchronous work time

Provides time for teachers to work together

# ELEMENTARY

#### Process:

Continuous Input from teachers

Guiding principles developed by principals

Determination of schedule by principals

School adaptations based on teacher input

# ELEMENTARY (K-2)

	Monday - 1	Friday	
	Group 1	Group 2	Student
AM 8:20	Morning Meeting/Closing     Circle     Core Content Direct     Instruction     Built in Movement Breaks	Asynchronous Learning  Specials (Art, Music,PE) Independent Practice Recess/Quiet Time	Asynchronous Learning/Practice
	Lunch	(11:15)	
PM 11:45	Specials (Art, Music, PE)     Independent Practice     Recess/Quiet Time	Morning Meeting// Closing     Circle     Core Content Direct     Instruction     Built in Movement Breaks	Teacher Check & Connect Staff Meetings Division/PLC Mtgs. Planning

#### **K-2 Example Schedule**

ACPS Guidelines For Synchronous Learning (Does not include specials/ intervention)		
K-1	1.5 - 2.0 Hours	
2-3	2.0 - 2.5 Hours	
4-5	2.5 - 3.0 Hours	

# ELEMENTARY (3-5)

#### Grades 3 - 5 Example Schedule

Similarities	Differences
Begins with Morning Meeting and ends with Closing Circle	30 min. mini-lessons vs. 15 min. for K-2
"A" and "B" academic blocks	Longer academic block - extending to between 2.5-3 hrs.
Alternate block for asynchronous work and synchronous specials	Possibility of slightly shorter breaks
Instruction in Reading, Math, Science and Social Studies	
Small group work with teacher	

# SEESAW DEMO: WHAT IS SEESAW?



- Originally designed as an online portfolio platform for student and family engagement
- Seesaw enables:
  - Feedback & Reflection
  - Assignments & Assessment
  - Connection Between Teachers, Students, and Families
- As a result of school closures, Seesaw developers have been working with teachers to update and enhance the platform to better accommodate virtual/remote needs

# SEESAW DEMO: FEATURES



- Photo, Video, Drawing/Annotation
- Written and voice recorded comments for feedback
- Blog for sharing student work
- Links to outside sites, applications, Zoom, etc ("Learning Hub")
- Ability to differentiate assignments and add Co-Teachers
- Announcements to whole class and private messages between family members and teacher

# SEESAW DEMO: (K-2 & 3-5)



- ★ Social-Emotional and Community Building Activities
- ★ Share photos & videos of off-screen creations for asynchronous learning
- ★ Voice recorded directions for accessibility

#### K-2:

- Gradually learn how to use features
  - Photo, Drawing, Voice Recording
- Simple directions & activities

#### 3-5:

- Gradually learn how to use features
  - Photo, Text Boxes, Video,
     Uploading documents/links
- Multi-step activities & projects

# QUESTIONS

### SECONDARY

#### **Principles**:

- Supports student learning in a hybrid environment
- Consistent schedules through stages
- Time devoted for Teacher PLC's and Professional Learning

#### **Process:**

- Sample schedules created by teachers
- Reviewed by secondary principals
- Input from school staff

# MIDDLE SCHOOL SCHEDULE

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
9:30-9:55	CHOMP / Advisory			
9:55-11:20	Block 1	Block 1	Block 1	Block 1
11:20-11:35	BREAK			
11:35-1:00	Block 2	Block 2	Block 2	Block 2
1:00-1:30	LUNCH			
1:30-2:55	Block 3	Block 3	Block 3	Block 3
2:55-3:05	BREAK			
3:05-4:30	Block 4	Block 4	Block 4	Block 4

	FRIDAY
9:00-11:30	Asynchronous Learning
11:30-12:00	LUNCH
12:00-1:00	Clubs/Enrichment/Intervention/Groups
1:00-1:45	Office Hours for Block 1
1:45-2:30	Office Hours for Block 2
2:30-3:15	Office Hours for Block 3
3:15-4:00	Office Hours for Block 4

### SCHOOLOGY DEMO: WHAT IS SCHOOLOGY?

- Schoology is a Learning Management System (LMS) that has the tools needed to create content, design lessons, and assess student understanding.
- Adopted by ACPS in August of 2019
- Allows student, parents, and teachers to access content anytime in one platform.
- Landing page for secondary students will allow them to:
  - Access course materials
  - Submit assignments
  - Take assessments



### SCHOOLOGY DEMO: KEY FEATURES



- User-friendly interface
- Workload Calendar allows teachers and students to better organize and manage upcoming work
- Built-in discussion boards for student collaboration
- Assignments, assessments, and feedback with audio/video capability
- Integrates with 3rd party apps and external tools
  - YouTube, Google Drive, Illuminate, National Geographic, NearPod
- Teachers can personalize and differentiate instruction, share resources and collaborate.
- Allows extracurricular participation and organization through Schoology Groups. Same features of courses without grading functions

#### Guiding Principles:

- 1. Support executive functioning
- 2. Reduce cognitive load
- 3. High quality instruction

#### To support this:

- We developed common course layouts
- Schoology is the primary place to access and submit work
- Plan to use tech tools to support instructional practice





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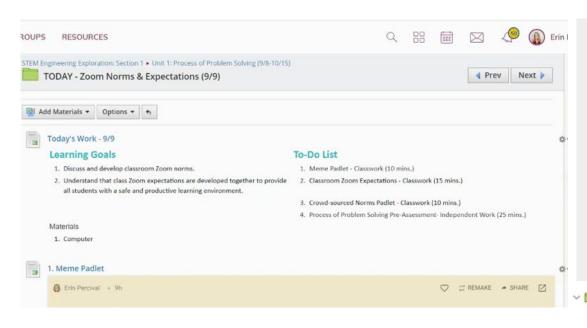
#### Key Features:

- Standardized header
- Buttons to frequently accessed programs
- 3. Easy access to synchronous Zoom sessions



#### Key Features:

- 1. Clear user-navigation path
- 2. Daily Work Page
- Folders labeled by topic and date
- 4. Current folder and work at top to minimize scrolling



#### Best Practices:

- Tech tools are introduced and explicitly taught
- No more than one tech tool is introduced per lesson
- 3. Tech tools are intentionally selected to support quality instruction
- ➤ TODAY Zoom Norms & Expectations (9/9)
   ☑ Today's Work 9/9
   ☑ 1. Meme Padlet
   ☑ 2. Classroom Zoom Expectations
   ☑ 3. Crowd-sourced Norms
   ☑ 4. Process of Problem Solving Pre-Assessment (Not for a grade!)

# QUESTIONS

# HIGH SCHOOL SCHEDULE

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
	Early Bird	Early Bird	Early Bird	Early Bird
8:30-9:15	Period	Period	Period	Period
9:30-11:00	Block 1	Block 1	Block 1	Block 1
11:00-11:15	Break	Break	Break	Break
11:15-12:45	Block 2	Block 2	Block 2	Block2
12:45-1:15	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
1:15-2:45	Block 3	Block 3	Block 3	Block 3
2:45-3:00	Break	Break	Break	Break
3:00-4:30	Block 4	Block 4	Block 4	Block 4

	Friday
9:30-10:15	Office Hours Block 1
10:15-11:00	Office Hours Block 2
11:00-11:45	Office Hours Block 3
11:45-12:30	Office Hours Block 4
12:30-1:00	Lunch
1:00-2:00	Clubs/Enrichment
2:00-4:30	Asynchronous Learning Time

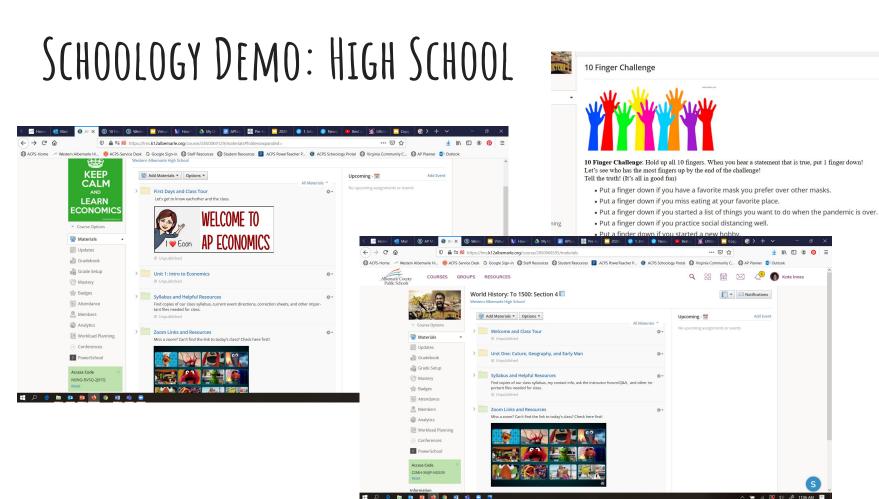
### SCHOOLOGY DEMO: HIGH SCHOOL

#### Guiding Principles:

- 1. Consistency -- put the energy into the work, not finding the work. All classes are housed in one platform.
- 2. Empowerment -- allow students to manipulate and work in new ways as they come to understand how things fit together
- 3. Care -- set up was done with what is best for kids.

#### To support this:

- Common folder and naming conventions
- Emphasis on Connection, Active Learning and Reflection



# SCHOOLOGY DEMO: HIGH SCHOOL

# QUESTIONS