BFS Virtual School Early Childhood Checklist



Thank you for partnering with BFS to provide an excellent education for your child. Starting on March 4, 2020 BFS will transition to an online learning environment. This will look different for each level of student. As your child teacher gets acquainted with the technology that will be used to deliver content and model lifelong learning, we ask that you work through the following checklist. This will help us ensure a smooth transition to online learning.

Before Tuesday, March 3rd 2020. Getting ready to learn.		
	01	Electronic Device Be sure your child has a device to use when speaking with their teacher. This can be a smartphone, laptop, desktop, or tablet but must have a camera and microphone.
	02	Zoom video conferencing Zoom is the system we have chosen for teachers to interact with their students. On March 3rd we will host an information session on Zoom. Please check your emails for the invitation. This invite will also guide you through the installation. Please, check that the Zoom App is installed on the device your child will be using.*
	03	Test your home wifi Run a test on your home wifi by conducting a video call with a family or friend. When you test, make sure that all devices that are usually online during a school day are also online.
	04	Bloomz On March 2nd or 3rd your teacher will send you an invitation link for your child to join Bloomz. Through this link your child will be able to contribute to his portfolio.
	05	Working Space Provide your child(ren) with suitable learning space; a desk or table and a comfortable chair. If you have more than one child they will need to sit in different spaces.
	06	Supplies Gather a supply of paper, pencils, crayons, and markers. Have them available in your child's workspace.
	07	Sleep Help your child maintain regular sleep cycles to be prepared for school on March 4

^{*} If needed, Here is a useful support article on Zoom installation: https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/201362193-Joining-a-Meeting

80	Stay Connected Please, continuously check your email for other grade-level specific instructions from your child's teacher.
	dnesday, March 4th 2020 FS Virtual School!
01	Morning Routine Wake your child and feed them a good breakfast. Help them begin their day of learning by establishing a routine that helps them know they are in school. We recommend students to dress as if they are going to attend a physical school. You can require BFS uniforms if you'd like, just remember Friday is "Free Dress Friday."
02	Content of Learning Everyday your child will receive content and activities from their classroom teacher.
03	Face to face Meeting Over the course of the week, your child will meet for at least 15 minutes of one-on-one video contact with their homeroom teacher. This will be on Zoom. A parent must be present during this conference.
04	Breaks During the school day, establish breaks from the screen every 30 minutes. These breaks should last at least 10 minutes. If possible, have them engage in physical activities.
05	End of School Day Set a time for the end of the school day. When the day is over, welcome your child home with a snack. This will help establish the beginning and end of the school day. Ask your child questions about their school work. This is a great way to stay involved. Remember, to ask specific questions when you are asking your child about their assignments.
07	Communicate Communicate with teachers and the school office about absences, and for assistance with any technology or learning-related issues your child encounters.
08	Stay safe! As always, wash hands, stay safe, and stay positive.

Questions?

