

# Mindsets for Remote Learning

a four-session series focused on engagement & student choice

*"Mindful that a transition to distance learning and teaching is challenging, and that learning to implement it is an ongoing journey, it is NEWESD's desire and commitment to provide support to dedicated educators who are working so hard to serve deserving students in new ways."*

*– Dr. Michael Dunn, Superintendent*

In early September, NEWESD staff will support schools throughout NorthEast Washington (and potentially beyond) via live Zoom trainings, live office hours, and online collaboration opportunities. Each session will focus on a different major concept. **Remote Learning Teams** will join in conversations and planning sessions that focus on delivery of high quality distance learning programs, including materials that can be provided in paper format.

After each guided session, teams will work independently to **make decisions and complete action steps** in advance of the next session. Each session will offer resources, readings, and additional materials via the Schoology learning management system, and each item posted there will offer opportunities for online discussion and networking. Teams can seek additional guidance and help via live office hours, offered twice each week.

At the conclusion of this series, you and your teams will have developed an implementation plan with concrete structures for staff, students, and parents, so that **your entire community can thrive in a distance learning environment**. Your plan will specifically focus on social, emotional, and academic needs, with a particular emphasis on interdisciplinary projects and student choice.

## Assembling Your Teams

We encourage you to identify Remote Learning Teams that will guide your approach to distance learning. The ideal learning teams will be composed of staff who put plans into practice. Team makeups may include:

- grade level teams plus relevant specialists (i.e. 3rd grade teachers, plus SpEd, PE, Art)
- building leadership plus department chairs, TOSAs, and/or instructional coaches

- cross-district staff focusing on a systemwide approach
- multi-grade vertical teams and curriculum specialists

## Phase 1 - Creating a Learning System

**September 8, Zoom Training 1:00pm-2:30pm**

**September 8, Zoom Office Hours, 2:30pm-3:30pm**

Action Period Steps:

- Confirm your core tools for teaching and learning
- Develop scheduling and engagement plans

## Phase 2 - Creating Collaborative Learning Teams

**September 9, Zoom Training 1:00pm-2:30pm**

**September 9, Zoom Office Hours, 2:30pm-3:30pm**

Action Period Steps:

- Increase the skills needed for effective communication and collaboration
- Create a team with a student-centered focus

## Phase 3 - Integrated Content and Project-Based Learning

**September 10, Zoom Training 1:00pm-2:30pm**

**September 10, Zoom Office Hours, 2:30pm-3:30pm**

Action Period Steps:

- Explore best practices for project-based learning
- Connect with colleagues to develop a cross-disciplinary project

## Phase 4 - Assessing Student Work

**September 11, Zoom Training 1:00pm-2:30pm**

**September 11, Zoom Office Hours, 2:30pm-3:30pm**

Action Period Steps:

- Identify options for providing a menu of student activities

- Explore ways that students can show competency using standards-based grading

## Register Now

The fee for each person is \$50. Fees cover 90 minutes of training on each of the four Zoom Training days identified above, plus an additional 60 minutes of optional support offered immediately after each training session, as well as access to a Schoology course providing additional resources and opportunities for discussion and networking. Zoom links for each session will be distributed after registration.



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