GUIDANCE FOR PARENTS OF STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

Remote Learning is a strategy for learning continuity to be deployed for extended time away from school. During Remote Learning your student’s learning can happen anywhere. Review the lesson with your child and decide on the support your child will need through instructional accommodations or accessibility tools.

Instructional accommodations: Allows students to participate in activities and lessons to make learning and demonstrating knowledge accessible for all.

- Preview lesson tasks/assignments
- Provide checklists for multi-step activities
- Break the task/assignment into parts
- Read directions/tasks aloud
- Repetition of directions
- Bold and highlight important text
- Provide a dictionary
- Review key vocabulary
- Ask students to look, touch and verbalize what they see and think
- Breaks from learning
- Extended time
- Check for understanding during task
- Visual Aids (picture, flashcards, etc.)
- Positive reinforcement
- Limit visual text to one page

Accessibility Tools: Designed to make learning more accessible to students with a wide range of disabilities.

Link to FCS AT Universal Tools support channel via YouTube

- **Snap and Read**: Utilize translation/read aloud features within text to speech applications to increase access to text
  - Quick Guide for Instructions (iOS)
  - Quick Guide for Instructions (Chrome)

- **Co-Writer**: Utilize word predict software to increase access to written expression
  - Quick Guide for Instructions (iOS)
  - Quick Guide for Instructions (Chrome)

Communication with Special Education Case Manager: Your child's case manager is available for questions or guidance with any of the instructional materials or troubleshooting any digital platforms.

Assistive Technology Support: If your child has an assistive technology device (e.g. Novachat) and you have questions regarding how to operate the device, you can call the assistive technology help line at 470-254-5205. An assistive technology specialist will be answering these calls and assisting parents with any questions specific to AT devices.