

# Bethalto Community Unit School District #8

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## NOTICE OF VIDEO INSTRUCTION AND THERAPY

During the mandated closure of our schools due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we may be providing whole-group, small-group, and individualized instruction or therapy to your student(s). During this instruction or therapy, we may utilize video platforms such as Zoom or Google Meet to help us better meet the needs of our students. This will allow us to provide whole and small-group instruction, social work services, speech and language services, reading and math interventions, etc. These virtual or video platforms will allow our educators to interact via video and/or voice with your student(s) to teach remotely and work to ensure further learning.

We understand that this could allow a third party to overhear or observe these instructional times or therapy sessions. However, we trust that our families understand that we are working to do the best we can during this very unique situation. Please note that no sessions that you may observe should be shared, recorded, or photographed and should not be placed on any social media sites. We work hard to keep what occurs in our schools confidential and during this remote learning time, we ask that you keep those same things confidential. While we definitely want to celebrate what is occurring in our buildings, we want to be mindful and respect the privacy of one another. We are joining numerous schools across the country that are relying on new platforms to help us better meet the needs of all our students, utilizing all the resources that are available to us.

### BENEFITS FROM THE SCHOOL:

- This is one of the best ways to be able to remotely provide the services that children so often receive during the course of a “normal” school day.
- Learning, face-to-face, with a staff member will occur during the shutdown. This will help prevent gaps in learning and promote the social-emotional well-being of our students.
- Students will have the academic and social-emotional benefit of seeing their classroom teachers, support staff members, principals, etc. in a small-group or whole-group setting for both instructional and social-emotional support.
- Students will be able to see other students that they are used to seeing in class or in group sessions.
- We will do our best to ensure that the privacy of students and their data is kept confidential as a school district.

If you have specific concerns as it relates to these sessions, have questions, or wish that your child not participate in any session, please contact Kelly McClain, Director of Curriculum, at [kmccclain@bethalto.org](mailto:kmccclain@bethalto.org) or Jen Weber, Special Education Coordinator, at [jweber@bethalto.org](mailto:jweber@bethalto.org).

We appreciate your understanding during this time as we work to do all we can to support your child.

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