

April 01, 2020

Hello Everyone!

I hope you are safe and healthy during this difficult time. Horizons is here to support you!

The staff and teachers have been working hard to create online classes and activities to keep everyone up on the skills learned at Horizons. We have included some fun social activities, too! We will be using **Google Classroom** to deliver lessons, provide advising by phone, Zoom or Google Meet.

1. To access Google classroom each student must have a google account. If you have a Gmail account, then you are already set up!

If not, please create an account today.

2. Watch this video. It will help you know what to do. <https://youtu.be/xfgqtCi7hdo>

Student and Parent Q & A on Zoom

To respond to questions or concerns, we have planned **two Q & A sessions** using Zoom. When you access the zoom meeting space your microphone will be muted by the host. Please use the chat to ask your questions and we will answer them as they come up. It is too chaotic to have everyone speaking.

Information for the session on **Thursday, April 2 at 3 pm CST.**

Contact Dr. Dixon for Zoom login

Information for the session on **Friday, April 3 at 9 am CST**

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Important Information for Students

Friday, April 3 at 1 pm CST: Social event for students. Ms. LaTulipe will send you details.

Starting on Monday, April 6 you will begin receiving invitations to join different classrooms. You can access them in two ways.

1. Click on the link sent to you.
2. Login to your Google account and go to Google Classroom. You will see all the classes you have been invited to. Click "join" to access those classes.

Every day next week you will receive invites to your different classes, so be sure to check your email.

Student Expectations

1. Students should **check their email every day**. You don't want to miss any announcements or activities.
2. Work on your class activities every day and you won't fall behind.
3. Participate in the social activities and connect to your classmates.
4. Your advisor will contact you for advising sessions. You will work with your advisor on the best format: Phone, Zoom, or Google Meet.
5. Teachers may want you to join in a live class. You will receive that information by email and a link will be provided in your classroom to live events.
6. If you are having a hard time accessing Google Classroom or you are confused on how to use it, let your advisor know right away so they can assist you.
7. We will also share content on our School Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/horizonsschoolbirmingham/> and YouTube Channel, https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC_Tk_o0aFyZ1d7L-HNHF0mg

Summary of Upcoming Online Events

Thursday, April 2	Friday, April 3
3:00pm (CST) Zoom meeting for students and families. Q and A about online classes, etc.	9:00am (CST) Zoom meeting for students and families. Q and A about online classes, etc.
	1:00pm (CST) Student Social activity with Ms. LaTulipe and Mrs. Sherman

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Class Schedule for FIRST YEAR STUDENTS:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Nutrition & Meal planning & Food inventory (Mr. Farrow)	Cooking (Ms. Vines)	Career Orientation (Ms. Johnson)	Wellness (Mr. Farrow)	Social Skills (Mrs. Sherman)
Apartment Health and Safety (Alex and Josh)	Functional Literacy (Dr. Geiger)	Transportation (Ms. Vines)	Computer (Dr. Dixon)	Fitness Coaching (Mr. Carter, Dr. Geiger) 1pm
Time Mgt. (Ms. Vines)	Financial Literacy (Mr. Carter)	Fitness (Mr. Carter, Dr. Geiger)	Self-Advocacy (Mr. Jackson, Ms. Cusimano)	Social Activity (Ms. LaTulipe, Mrs. Sherman) 1pm
		Social Activity 1pm CST (Ms. LaTulipe, Mrs. Sherman)		

SECOND AND THIRD YEAR STUDENTS:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Apartment Health and Safety (Alex and Josh)	Cooking (Mr. Carter)	Business Communication (Ms. Johnson)	Wellness (Mr. Farrow)	Relationship Seminar (Mrs. Sherman)
Time Mgt (Ms. Vines)	Financial Literacy (Mr. Carter)	Fitness (Mr. Carter, Dr. Geiger)	Computer (Mrs. Sherman)	Fitness Coaching (Mr. Carter, Dr. Geiger) 1pm CST
		Social Activity 1pm CST (Ms. LaTulipe, Mrs. Sherman)	Self-Advocacy (Mr. Jackson, Ms. Cusimano)	Social Activity 1pm CST (Ms. LaTulipe, Mrs. Sherman)

Sincerely,

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