



**Garrett County
Public Schools**

VIRTUAL LEARNING: INCLEMENT WEATHER PLAN 2024-2025

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Virtual Learning Plan: Background Information



For the past two school years, GCPS implemented an approved Virtual Learning Plan, primarily for inclement weather aligned with MSDE criteria.

New: Senate
Bill 610

Virtual Learning Plan: Highlighted Changes

- 1 School Board approval versus Maryland State Department of Education approval
- 2 Requirement to use inclement weather make-up days in the approved calendar **before** implementing virtual learning
- 3 Virtual learning days must consist of a minimum of four (4) hours of synchronous instruction and there is no provision for fully asynchronous virtual days in the law

Virtual Learning Plan: Components

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Community Engagement and Board Approval

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New Virtual Learning Components

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Communication Plan

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Devices, access to Wi-Fi, and Access to Instructional Materials

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Accommodations for Students

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Attendance Procedures

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Virtual Learning Model

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Staff Procedures and Guidelines

Virtual Learning Plan: Public Comment Opportunities

GCPS will be accepting feedback on the Virtual Learning Plan for Inclement Weather at the following link from September 11- 25, 2024.