



Updates on Remote Learning Plan

April 1, 2020

Dear Great Hearts San Antonio Parents, Guardians, and Family Members –

In an effort to strengthen instruction and human connection, we will be moving forward with several additional tools to support remote learning:

- **Synchronous video conferencing (Zoom)** will start across San Antonio schools the week of April 6th. Synchronous video conferences happen in real time, so students will be able to see and speak with each other and their teacher live. We will be using Zoom for our synchronous video conferencing system which will look different for different grade-levels and schools. Please anticipate details from your school in the coming days.
- **Google Classrooms** will start across San Antonio Schools the week of April 13th. This will allow us to create an “online classroom” with the ability to share course materials and upload assignments and materials for feedback and communication. This will start on Monday, April 13th so more communication from your school will come next week.

IMPORTANT: Before for your scholar(s) can access Zoom or Google Classroom, **parents must click [here](#) to review and submit the Parental Consent Form**. Only one submission per household is required.

We have also created a resource page for parents and scholars to access everything related to loaner devices and our remote learning platforms. As more resources become available, they will be uploaded to the resource page which can be accessed by visiting:

www.greatheartsamerica.org/txresources

Resources found [here](#) will serve as helpful guides and will answer frequently asked questions such as:

- *What platforms will Great Hearts utilize for remote learning?*
- *Is remote learning safe?*
- *How do I login to access my scholar's Google Classroom account?*
- *Will there be tutorials available for scholars and parents?*
- *What if I need IT support?*
- *What if I need another device?*

More important information coming your way this week and next:

- **Friday, April 3** – Loaner devices will be distributed to the families who requested them:
 - Families in need of loaner devices should receive an email by end of day today, **April 1**, from a campus administrator with instructions for pick-up on Friday.
- **Monday, April 6** – Zoom will go live for teachers and students:
 - Again, please be sure to complete the **Parental Consent Form** ASAP to ensure your scholar is able to participate on Monday:
<https://forms.gle/rpviAMwP4S5gJuzc7>



- **Tuesday, April 7** – Google Classroom login information will be sent via SchoolMessenger to parents who have completed the **Parental Consent Form**.
 - If you have multiple students at Great Hearts, you will receive an email for each child with a unique username and password.

We hope this information is helpful to you. There will be more updates coming from your school over the next few days. In the meantime, we hope you, our great-hearted families, remain in good health and high spirits.

In partnership,

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