

Distance Learning

I am sure you have a lot of questions - How will this work? What is my child's routine going to look like? What if I cannot be online at a specific time? Our word of the year is FLEXIBILITY. We will provide several opportunities and flexible ways for you and your child to participate in learning activities. We know you will not be able to do everything.

1. You will receive an email invite from your child's Teacher to join their virtual team, this is where our face-to-face virtual instruction will take place. Please make sure you have downloaded the Microsoft **TEAMS** app and click on the link in the email to join the team.
2. If you are unable to log onto **TEAMS** for meetings or just want more learning experiences we will be posting a weekly lesson plan and digital Creative Curriculum Study materials on our website at <https://www.stepsheadstart.com/digital-curriculum> this content is for you to access at times that work for you.
3. Download the Tadpoles and MyTeachingStrategies Family apps. Your Teacher will be emailing you content from The Creative Curriculum and this will be your primary method of communication through email and chat.

We will be designing instruction that can be conducted with common household and found items. If there are supplies and materials that are needed we will be delivering a package to you with your food supplies or via USPS.

Today you will receive a little blue backpack that will have basic supplies for your child. Please reserve use of these supplies for "schoolwork." If you need more supplies as the year goes on please notify your child's Teacher.

We are looking forward to a terrific year partnering with you in your child's education and care.

Please see the virtual schedule attached. Your child's Teacher will be reaching out to you to schedule a virtual home visit the week of 8/31/2020-9/4/2020.

Daily Schedule for when my child is virtual:

Morning Meeting – All in person and virtual class members (TEAMS)	9:30 – 10:00 *max 30 minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A welcome song • Greeting (attendance) • Wish well • Questions of the day (poll) • Calendar/Weather etc. • Study focus - discussion
Your child will be assigned to a virtual learning group (Group A, B, C, or D) for small group instruction two times per week. Your child’s Teacher will be working with you to pick the days and times that work best for you.		
Small Group Learning (TEAMS) Group A Monday/Wednesday Group C Tuesday/Thursday	10:30 – 11:00	Individualized learning group with no more than 4 members. Focus on skill attainment. Cognitive game, skill practice, phonological awareness, phonics skills, word recognition, letter ID, use of print/books, conversation skills, recall, colors, shapes, numbers, quantities, positional words, counting, measuring, etc.
Story Time – All class members (TEAMS)	11:00 – 11:15	Fun engaging/interactive story time
Small Group Learning (TEAMS) Group B Monday/Wednesday Group D Tuesday/Thursday	11:30 – 12:00	Individualized learning group with no more than 4 members. Focus on skill attainment. Cognitive game, skill practice, phonological awareness, phonics skills, word recognition, letter ID, use of print/books, conversation skills, recall, colors, shapes, numbers, quantities, positional words, counting, measuring, etc.
End of Day Wrap Up – All class members (TEAMS)	3:00 – 3:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I Love You Ritual • Sharing Session

Digital resources found at www.stepsheadstart.com/digital-curriculum at my own time and pace.