FAQ for Flexible Instructional Day (FID)

1. When will teachers be available for digital assistance?

Teachers will be available during a normal school day. They will be taking planning time and lunch. This will be communicated to parents and learners from individual teachers.

2. My child has special needs, what will be done to ensure his or her needs are met?

We will be working to give each learner what they need during this change in schedule. Special education teachers will be available in a digital capacity. Teachers will make modifications and accommodations to material prior to FID. If there is an individual need or concern please contact your child's case manager.

3. How do I ensure my child will not be marked absent that day?

There are two ways to register your child's attendance on a FID day. (1) get on huntsd.org and fill out a google form to document their attendance. (2) if you cannot access the google form please send a brief note explaining the work your child completed for attendance purposes.

4. What if my child is ill on FID and cannot complete work?

Write an excuse for the absence as you would any other day they are ill and return it to school with the child.

5. How often will there be a FID?

After the October 14th test day, FID may only be utilized after the three scheduled snow make-up days are exhausted. They will be announced by noon on the day prior to a weather related FID.

6. Can FID only be used in a weather event?

No, FID can be used in other emergency situations as well.

7. After the test day on October 14th, how will feedback be collected?

Feedback from parents, learners, and staff will be collected via google forms after the test day of October 14th. Those forms will be released on the huntsd.org website and will be made available for at least a week after the completion of the day. If changes need to be made after the test day they will be communicated as soon as possible.

8. What if a staff member is sick or unavailable, how will that be communicated?

Staff members may not be available for FID just as they may be absent on any other school day. We will post a list of unavailable staff members and keep it up to date as we know it throughout the day on huntsd.org.

9. How will parents be notified of an FID?

Notification of an FID will be announced in the school to learners, posted on social media outlets and released via school messenger as would any closing or delay.

10. What if the learner wants to complete their work the night before or late in the evening instead of throughout the school day?

FID work can be completed at the child's convenience and in accordance with the teacher's outlined deadlines; however, teachers will only be available to assist learners digitally during the school day hours.

11. What if my child is working on a digital assignment and the internet goes out at our home?

Faculty and staff are aware that internet outages are a possibility, especially in a weather related FID; however, we do ask that the learner makes every effort to complete whatever work possible and then work with their teachers to complete the assignments.

12. How many FID days will there be this year?

The governor signed the Flexible Instructional Day into law, limiting the number of FID to 5 per school year. This will happen no more than 5 times (4 after October 14th).

13. What happens if a learner does not complete an FID assignment?

Your child's teacher will handle missing work in accordance with their grading and work completion procedures.

14. What time does attendance have to be registered by and who may do it?

The learner (if age appropriate) or parent may register the learners attendance on the google form on the FID. This form may be filled out until 3pm on the FID. If a note is sent in, it must have a parent signature.

15. How much work will the learners be expected to complete?

Work will be assigned by classroom teachers and will vary depending on age and schedule of the child. The work needs to be completed based on the timeline that the teacher sets for the work.

If you would like to submit a question, please fill out this <u>form</u> and we may post the answer or get back to you individually.