During the current school closures resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic, Lancaster-Lebanon IU13 seeks to ensure that the students we serve in Lancaster and Lebanon counties continue to have opportunities to reinforce and extend their learning.

We also support our staff, teachers, and administrators in our member districts by providing the technical assistance they need to develop and carry out these activities effectively.

Plus, IU13 offers a wealth of educational resources to support ALL students as they continue learning opportunities outside of school.

Our Work at a Glance

IU13 Direct Services
Supporting Students Include:

- Special Education Services
- Services to Nonpublic Schools
- English Language Services at the Lancaster County Career and Technology Center (LCCTC)
- Instructional Tools and Resources

IU13 Instructional Staff
Focus Includes:

- Teaching & Supporting Learning
- Ensuring Strong Communication
- Providing Access to Resources
Overview of Continuity of Education Supports & Services

Special Education Services

Teaching & Supporting Learning:
- Advancing learning as appropriate
- Engaging students for enrichment and review
- Helping students maintain skills
- Collaborating with parents
- Offering synchronous and asynchronous learning opportunities
- Providing daily learning materials
- Directly interacting with students through office hours
- Continuing of Reevaluation Reports and IEP meetings
- Acting on Early Intervention referrals

Ensuring Strong Communication:
- Providing weekly (or more) contact with parents/caregivers by IU13 special education staff
- Offering online tutorials for parents
- IU13 social workers connecting parents with needed community resources

Providing Access to Resources:
- Providing student electronic devices as needed
- Training of staff/parent by Assistive Technology and Instructional Technology specialists
- Offering online learning platforms to meet student needs
- Helping to overcome barriers to online access

Services to Nonpublic Schools

Teaching & Supporting Learning:
- Coordinating with each school
- Providing virtual instruction and support
- Focusing on enrichment, review, and social/emotional wellness

Ensuring Strong Communication:
- Coordinating all with the nonpublic schools

Providing Access to Resources:
- Coordinating all with the nonpublic schools
- Creating online platforms to continue services

English Language Services at LCCTC

Teaching & Supporting Learning:
- Coordinating instruction/support with LCCTC
- Providing enrichment and review
- Offering remote access to learning

Ensuring Strong Communication:
- Coordinating all with LCCTC

Providing Access to Resources:
- Coordinating all with LCCTC
Educational Tools, Resources & Strategies

This online collection is designed to assist all educators, administrators, and parents as they support students while engaging in online learning, enrichment, or review. The resources listed on this website exist due to the collaborative effort of many via the Pennsylvania Association of Intermediate Units (PAIU).

For Parents

• Parent Resources - to support parents in implementing eLearning initiatives: tutorials, guides, tips & tricks, and more.

For Educators and Administrators

• Accessibility/Assistive Tech - accessibility options for use of computers, mobile devices, and apps, as well as ideas for providing access for students with disabilities
• Cyber Education-LLVS - an overview of cyber education options by IU13 Lancaster-Lebanon Virtual Solutions
• Educational Tools/Resources - resources and tools that are available for use for all content- and grade-level areas
• English Learner Resources - including online, paper and pencil, phone, professional learning, and translation tools & options
• Gifted Learner Resources - a variety of resources specifically designed for gifted learners, but many entries are useful for all students in need of academic enrichment
• Instructional Content - instructional content resources that are available for free or have recently been made available for free for instructional content use for eLearning
• Instructional Strategies - to support teachers with pedagogy and instructional strategies when planning/implementing distance learning initiatives
• Pencil & Paper Resources - to support learning using pencil and paper resources
• Special Education Resources - to support students with special needs
• Teacher Support Guides - to support teachers in implementing eLearning initiatives: tutorials, guides, tips & tricks, and more
• Q&A Office Hours Support for Educators - live and asynchronous eLearning professional development.
Instructional Media Services (IMS)

Instructional Technology Resources
IU13 staff and students have access to IMS for additional instructional technology resources, including:
- BrainPop Combo (BrainPop Jr., BrainPop, BrainPop Español, BrainPop Educators)
- CultureGrams
- Discovery Education Experience
- Student Resources and Opposing Viewpoints in Context via Gale Cengage Learning
- Access to eBooks and audio books through OverDrive

Supports for English Learners
IU13 supports for its students from bilingual families include:
- Bilingual (Spanish) social workers for families
- Interpretation by phone in multiple languages
- Document translation
- eLearning Toolkit English Learner resources
- Community Education staff are providing bilingual cultural navigation services

For Students with Special Needs
A variety of supports tailored specifically for students of special needs are provided at no cost via the Bureau of Special Education, Pennsylvania Department of Education.

The list is maintained by the Pennsylvania Training and Technical Assistance Network (PaTTAN).

Connecting to Community Resources
A webpage was developed by IU13 Social Workers to connect local families with resources/supports in areas including:
- Housing
- Food
- Internet Resources
- Cell Phone Companies
- Transportation
- Mental Health/Wellness
- Resources for Families of Students with Disabilities

Information is provided in English and Spanish.

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