



# Student Expectations for Online Learning

- 1. COMMUNICATE:** You are expected to use your school email address (@mdcrusaders.com) to login to all online accounts and also to send and receive emails. You should check your school email every day and respond. All school announcements will be posted on Schoology, but any individual messages from teachers will be sent to your official school email address (with your parents copied). If you are sending emails, please copy your parent and allow for up to 24 hours for the other person to respond.
- 2. BE PREPARED:** Distance Learning requires special attention to directions and deadlines. All students should use a planner (that could be a physical planner or the Schoology planner or the calendar app on your phone) to keep track of deadlines. Each morning, you will be expected to log into Schoology to attend the classes for the day, connect with your teacher and class, and work on the day's assignments.
- 3. ATTENDANCE & PARTICIPATION:** Completion of assignments in an online learning environment counts toward your grade. Be sure to log on with your given full name (first & last) and follow teacher instructions & expectations. Attendance will be taken in every class. Therefore, it is crucial that you login on time and stay active online during the entire period by participating in discussions, collaborating on shared docs or in small groups, and completing any assignments. Students choosing not to participate or follow teacher instructions online could result in course failure/retention.
- 4. ACADEMIC EXPECTATIONS:** Students are expected to participate in classes virtually in the same manner that they would for an in-person class. Students should respect teachers and other students, treating teachers and other students with at least the same level of respect. Whether online, hybrid or in-person, classes will be academically rigorous. Students will continue to earn A-F grades based on their performance in the class.
- 5. WEBCAMS:** Students are expected to keep webcams on for all classes. This will help teachers gauge student engagement and levels of understanding.
- 6. ASK FOR HELP:** Now more than ever, you need to advocate for yourself as a learner. If directions are unclear, ask for clarification. If you consistently spend more time on assignments than what seems reasonable or what was advised by you teacher, let your teacher know. Prior to submitting work, connect with your teacher to ask any questions to make sure you understand the material. Remember to check your official school email address daily for responses, and to include your parents on emails to teachers.

- 7. TUTORING IS AVAILABLE:** Mater Dei is still offering after school tutoring virtually with Ms. Morris, Mrs. Wade, Mrs. Taylor and Mrs. Wylie. Details will be available soon.
- 8. OFFICE HOURS:** Teachers are available every afternoon and all day Wednesday for help. Teachers will have set Office Hours on Wednesdays according to the following schedule where students or parents can drop into a standing Zoom. You can also email your teacher and set up an appointment for help.

9:30 am – 11 am	Theology	11:30 am - 1 pm	Science
10 am – 11:30 am	English	12 pm – 1:30 pm	Social Sciences
10:30 am – 12 pm	World Languages	12:30 pm – 2 pm	VAPA, PE, Electives
11 am – 12:30 pm	Math		

- 9. UPHOLD THE SAME STANDARDS OF ACADEMIC INTEGRITY:** Expectations for academic integrity have not changed. Violations will be reported to Mr. Glaser, and students will be issued the appropriate consequences. As a reminder, academic dishonesty or cheating includes acts of plagiarism, forgery, fabrication, or misrepresentation. Enabling or helping others to cheat is also cheating.
- 10. MAINTAIN SCHOOL-APPROPRIATE APPEARANCE:** When attending virtual conferences or uploading videos, students do not need to be in uniform, but are expected to wear any Mater Dei top (polo, sweatshirt, tee-shirt, hoodie, jacket, etc). Students will be expected to be in full uniform when we return to campus.
- 11. CHRISTIAN SERVICE HOURS:** We realize families have questions regarding the student Christian Service requirement. We encourage students to continue participating in Christian Service opportunities. However, students will not be required to fulfill the 25-hour obligation for this year. We will continue to collect Christian Service hours students submit to their Theology teachers, and will apply all hours to their graduation requirement. Until Covid-19 restrictions are lifted, we understand the limits on many opportunities and potential health threat that remains to exist. We encourage students to continue serving their domestic church at home through daily prayer and by serving their families and neighbors at every opportunity.
- 12. TECH SUPPORT:** If you are having trouble with Schoology, such as accessing a document or logging into a conference, contact your teacher directly. If you are having trouble with your computer, email [helpdesk@materdeicatholic.org](mailto:helpdesk@materdeicatholic.org).