

Groton Community School - Learning at Home Schedule

Maintaining a structured schedule can help minimize the disruption, and reduce the anxiety, that the COVID-19 virus is creating in family's lives. These are possible suggestions to create your OWN family schedule to maintain a sense of normalcy and add value to this family time together.

Good morning



Wake Up- make your bed, get dressed, eat a healthy breakfast and help clean up

Physical Activity- walk/bike, play outdoors, dance to music

Learning Time- reading books, creative art activities, sensory play, puzzles, Legos or blocks, build a fort, cook/bake

Clean Up Time- toys and help clean up/disinfect house

Good afternoon



Eat a healthy lunch and help clean up

Nap or quiet activities- reading books, video read-alouds or audio books, educational apps, puzzles, drawing, mindfulness activities

Fresh air- nature walk, play outdoors

Good evening



Eat a healthy dinner and help clean up

Family Time- outdoor play, cooperative games and play, educational videos, optional TV

Bath/shower and PJs

Goodnight read-aloud books

GCS EDUCATIONAL APPS FOR PRESCHOOL & KINDERGARTEN:

These are some of the apps (mostly free) that we use at GCS. We welcome additional ideas! Moderation and parent/quardian supervision are important to reduce excessive screen time.

Teacher Apps:

- PicCollage Lite
- Dropbox
- Book Creator (free version)
- Chrome
- Google Earth
- Pinterest
- Leaf Snap
- Insight Timer
- Buddha Board

Free Preschool/Kindergarten Apps:

Science:

- WWF Together (World Wildlife Foundation)
- Play and Learn Science
- My Moon Phase

Creative Arts:

- Chroma Kids
- Draw and Tell HD
- Color Band
- Musical Me
- Chatterpix Kids

Math

- 10 fingers +
- Fish School
- Moose Math
- Park Math HD
- Todo Math
- Endless Numbers

Social Emotional:

- Peek-a-Zoo
- Breathe, Think, Do with Sesame

Mind Body:

- Super stretch Yoga HD
- 49 Poses: Children's Yoga Video Lessons

Language Literacy:

- Starfall ABCs
- Starfall Learn to Read
- Endless Reader
- Endless Wordplay
- Endless Spanish

OTHER IDEAS - PLEASE NOTE:

GCS has vetted some, but not each and every idea, listed below. The list is inspired by an original Facebook post from a fellow educator. The following resources look like good ideas to get started and explore for at home learning. Other ideas welcome!

Language arts and/or literacy resources: Check your favorite authors' websites, too!

Storyline Online

https://www.storylineonline.net/

Compilation of Picture Books Read Aloud by Authors

https://pernillesripp.com/2020/03/14/picture-books-read-aloud-videos-for-lesson-use/?fbclid=IwAR2g-xPtx4hKndFrRQLSJO9 7DxIsQ84DZjHxv8tRk2 TAZ8-8e8AI-tgkE

Ideas from National Center on Improving Literacy

https://myemail.constantcontact.com/Resources-for-When-Your-Child-Can-t-Go-to-School.html?soid=1127725926505&aid=2FurlgsGz0g&fbclid=IwAR1lOLPjARnzeWPcK4H9_O EC9MD7Tip_SpODuvaPO5CSt8hzmyF5s6tp3U4

Storytime from Space

https://storytimefromspace.com/

Reading Rockets

https://www.readingrockets.org/books/fun

Kids Podcasts

https://www.kidslisten.org/

Squigglepark

https://www.squigglepark.com/

National Geographic Young Explorers Books

https://kids.nationalgeographic.com/explore/books/

Author and Illustrator - Oliver Jeffers - Read alouds at 6pm GMT/ 2pm EST/ 11am PST. https://www.oliverjeffers.com/

Science and Social Studies:

National Geographic for Kids https://kids.nationalgeographic.com/

Mystery Doug https://mysterydoug.com/

History for Kids https://www.historyforkids.net/

Art:

Finish the Comic - Activities for Kids by Author, Jarret Lerner https://jarrettlerner.com/activities/

Idea sharing:

Ideas from the following may need more supervision than indicated for younger children...

150+ Enrichment Activities for Children While Parents are Working Remotely https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1KCFnWreu4v7VoO3NbgP-Qcq2LyE1FvliySoiTLRY7Qg/htmlview?usp=sharing&fbclid=IwAR3r-ENhLCeVYOfbFw-ioikndXjAZuOv338ejnwGFBzJVraWPB-HW8BOetq&sle=true