

Harlan County Public Schools

Non-traditional Instruction Days Survey - 2015/16

Dear Parents:

Over the coming weeks you will begin to see articles in the newspaper, information on our district web-site, and announcements on our Facebook page concerning our district's recent approval for the "non-traditional instruction" program. Our district has been approved to implement up to 10 days of non-traditional instruction throughout the 2015-16 school year.

The NTI program allows teachers to assign performance based instructional activities to our students which are then completed at home on days that school must be cancelled due to severe weather or other circumstances.

Our district is currently involved in the process of working with teachers to create these performance based activities. During the first week of December, you will receive detailed information regarding the expectations for your child when an NTI day is announced as well as a brightly colored packet with their assigned activities.

At this point, we need to gather some basic information about each student's access to a computer and the internet so our teachers will know how to communicate with your child on the NTI day. **Rest assured that your child will not be penalized if they do not have internet access. We will simply use alternate methods to communicate with the students who do not have Internet or a computer.**

PLEASE COMPLETE THE SHORT TECHNOLOGY/COMMUNICATION SURVEY BELOW FOR YOUR CHILD AND RETURN TO HIS/HER SCHOOL ASAP. We will need a survey for each child in order to customize their packets/assignments.

School Name: _____ Homeroom Teacher: _____

Student's Name: _____ Grade Level: _____

1. Does your child have access to the internet at your home? YES NO If YES, how many internet accessible devices do you have in your home (PC, tablet, cell phone, etc...)? _____
2. If you answered "no" to question #1, does your child have access to the internet at a nearby relative or neighbor's home that would allow them to use their computer on an NTI day? YES NO
If you answered "no" to both question #1 and #2, your survey is complete. If you answered "yes" to either question #1 or #2 please complete the remaining questions.
3. Is your home internet connection adequate to allow you to watch Netflix, Youtube, and other videos (if you so choose) with minimal buffering? YES NO
4. How would you describe the quality of your internet connection:
 GREAT ADEQUATE POOR VERY POOR
5. Please list any e-mail addresses or phone numbers which would be appropriate for your child's teacher to use in order for them to communicate with your child on an NTI day.
 - E-mail Address _____
 - Phone number _____