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Dear Parents of Virtual Learners:

This letter comes as a reminder that virtual students will be held to the same expectations for attendance and academic achievement as face-to-face students. Virtual students must log in daily and complete assignments in order to be counted present and succeed academically. **Students are counted absent if they do not log in daily.** Virtual students are bound by all attendance policies.

The following is an excerpt from the Clarke County Board of Education Attendance Policy:

- * A student in Grades K-8 who accumulates more than 20 absences during the school year may be denied promotion.
- * A student in Grades 9-12 on a block schedule who accumulates more than 5 absences in any class in any one term will be denied credit for the course.
- * Students accumulating more than 7 unexcused absences will be considered truant and a petition will be filed with the Clarke County Juvenile Court.

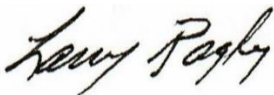
Virtual students are held to the same academic expectations as well. Virtual students are bound by the promotion and retention policies. Virtual students not completing and submitting assignments can expect to receive zeros, possibly fail to receive course credit, and or face retention.

The following is an excerpt from the Clarke County Board of Education Promotion and Retention Policy:

- First-Second Grade: Students are expected to have at least a 70-yearly average in reading and in math.*
- Third-Sixth Grade: Students are expected to have at least a 60-yearly average in reading and in math.*
- Seventh Grade: Any Student failing two or more academic subjects may be retained*
- Eighth Grade: Any student failing two or more academic subjects may be retained.*
- Ninth-Twelfth Grades:*
 - Credits needed to move to 10th Grade – 7*
 - Credits needed to move to 11th Grade – 14*
 - Credits needed to move to 12th Grade – 20*
 - Carnegie Units required to graduate – 28*

It is our desire that all students, regardless of their instructional path, attend school each day and are successful academically. The support of all parents is a critical factor in this effort.

Sincerely,



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