

Dear Secondary MIPA and FLS Families,

As has been communicated by APS, we are preparing to ensure all students have access to instructional materials during the upcoming school closure due to coronavirus (COVID-19). We know our MIPA and FLS program students do their best with consistency and routine, so we have created the list below to include general strategies, resources and online curriculum you can access from home.

- *What you can do now:*
 - *Know your child's login information*
 - *Practice logging in to ensure you can access each resource before you need it*
- *If schools are closed:*
 - *Keep a regular sleep schedule*
 - *Set a learning schedule for each day*
 - *Schedule breaks throughout each day*
 - *Find time to engage in technology-free activities*

Online Curriculum:

The Unique Learning System provides accessible content across the curriculum. It is a comprehensive, evidence-based curriculum that provides differentiated lessons and activities for students. These are aligned to Virginia's aligned standards of learning and span across the curriculum (Language Arts, Math, Science and Social Studies).

While the curriculum is accessible to teachers in an online, subscription format, students are able to access their lessons, books and activities at his/her level through Student View. In addition to the online, interactive format, lessons and materials are also available in print.

- *Students' teachers will share students' Student View login information with parents.*
- *Students have access to RAZ kids. Teachers will share login information with parents.*
- *Additional/alternative materials may be provided by your child's classroom teacher.*

The current Unit for March (Physical Science) is Light & Sound (Unique Learning System).



Families are reminded to use the free Google Translate app to help with the translation of any resources listed below. Additionally, if your child's teacher uses SeeSaw, translation services are available through that app as well.

Online Resources

RAZ Kids: <https://www.raz-kids.com/>



Levelled readers that are accessible to print or read from a mobile device (Ipad, computer) with corresponding quizzes and comprehension checks. Interactive tools and response questions promote writing connections. Both non-fiction and fiction texts are available, many of which are in Spanish and/or French.

Video (at-a-glance): <https://www.learninga-z.com/site/resources/videos/raz-kids-at-a-glance>

Student login with APS onelogin/password

Brainpop: <http://www.brainpop.com>

Offering free access for the next 30 days. On the site, sign up with an email address and they will send you an access key code.



BrainPop is a group of educational websites with over 1,000 short animated movies for students in grades K-12, together with quizzes and related materials, covering the subjects of science, social studies, English, math, engineering and technology, health, and arts and music.

ULS supplemental activities (examples)

Light <https://www.brainpop.com/science/energy/light/>

Sound <https://www.brainpop.com/science/energy/sound/>

MackinVIA: arlington.mackinvia.com or use the Mackin VIA app

Type in your school name and use the students' "My Access" login/password



MackinVIA is a digital content management system that provides easy access to ebooks, read-alongs, audiobooks and videos.

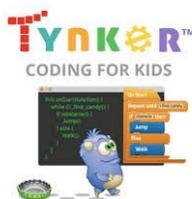
Tarheel Reader Exemplar Texts: <https://www.dlmpd.com/exemplar-text-supports/>



Tar Heel Reader (<http://tarheelreader.org>) is a very large library of open-source, accessible, texts for individuals with disabilities of all ages. Tar Heel Reader was started as a way to address the extreme shortage of easy-to-read books on topics that appeal to older students. Books are contributed to the site by teachers, students, parents, and others from around the world.

Because these books are developed for all age levels some may be inappropriate for younger readers. Reviewers do their best to make sure these books are marked with the CAUTION. As a result, students should NOT be sent independently to the Tar Heel Reader site. They should be sent to collections or sets of favorites that teachers create using the tools built into the site.

Tynker: <https://www.tynker.com/>



A fun, easy way to build coding skills. The website offers self-paced learning for students ages 5+. It will be available for free access at home. Students learn computer programming in an

engaging, online manner. Self-paced learning for all experience levels (eg., intro to coding, block coding tutorials, game design, robotics, etc.).

NewsELA: www.newsela.com



Create a free account using your personal email address and access thousands of current event articles on your child's favorite topics. You can select the appropriate reading level (Grades 2- 12) with an easy click and notice that the grade level and word count changes as the reading level is adjusted. Many articles are available in both English and Spanish.

Future Plan (to complete with a parent): https://futureplanning.thearc.org/users/sign_up



Future Planning is creating a guide for a person with an intellectual or developmental disability (I/DD) to lead a good life as independently as possible. A plan is important throughout all stages of life and especially in the future after the parent or caregiver is no longer able to provide support.

Khan Academy: <https://www.khanacademy.org/>



Khan Academy is a non-profit educational organization created in 2008 by Salman Khan with the goal of creating a set of online tools that help educate students. The organization produces short lessons in the form of videos. Its website also includes supplementary practice exercises and materials for educators.

Government and tax time: <https://apps.irs.gov/app/understandingTaxes/student/activities.jsp>



Whether you're "on assignment" or just browsing the Web, this set of 38 Understanding Taxes student lessons has something for everyone. Divided into two content areas — the Hows of Taxes and the Whys of Taxes — The Hows of Taxes shows you how to apply tax principles, while the Whys of Taxes explains tax history and theory.