



# Guidance for Continuity of Learning for In-Person, Remote, or Hybrid Learning Models

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As the country endures the ongoing disruption of COVID-19, educators have demonstrated flexibility and determination in maintaining the continuity of learning for their students. Districts have had to flex and shift their learning models throughout the school year as the virus has surged throughout the country. Educators are relying on digital instruction programs that can be used in-person, at a distance, or in a combination of learning models to maintain their students' continuity of learning.

This document presents a framework to help schools and district leaders organize their thinking about these shifting learning environments and how they can best support students for academic success. For forward-thinking educators, this is an opportunity to evaluate what's working and what's not.

## Instructional Continuity Framework

How to increase school capacity to facilitate instructional continuity for a mix of learning models.

## Aspects of In-Person and Distance Learning

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### Educational Equity

- Technology access
- Flexible learning models
- Access to instruction help

Lexia's research-proven programs level the playing field by providing equitable access to resources and placing teachers at the center of blended learning models. Lexia programs transition seamlessly between school and home with no disruption in student progress or teacher monitoring, and instructional resources are available to help families and caregivers support students during distance, in-person, or hybrid learning.

### Social-Emotional Connections

- Staff is feeling displaced
- Students need to refocus on collaboration, self-awareness, and community before assignments

Teachers can create a shared document with best practices built upon social-emotional learning (SEL) touch points such as rebuilding relationships, positive feedback, and clear expectations. Check out CASEL (<https://casel.org/>) as a resource.

## Curriculum and Assessment

- COVID-19 learning loss
- Need for data alternatives
- Tested, proven solution
- Need to cover new material as well as review

Lexia programs' embedded assessment tool allows students to work at their own pace and provides continual student performance data even when other data sources are not available. Lexia programs are a proven solution that accelerate student learning and continue to support students even if they transition from one learning model to another and then back again. The learning path for every student is individualized, so the content presented meets each student wherever they are—above, below, or on grade level. Student data allows educators to check student progress and provides administrators with a measure of progress that is aligned with (external) standardized/state assessments.

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## Professional Development

- New teaching strategies to accommodate hybrid learning
- Improving tech integration
- Shared best practices

Lexia programs are teacher-centered in an effective blended learning model that is proven to get results and is flexible to facilitate in-class, distance, and hybrid teaching models. Multi-year contracts create teacher confidence, as educators know they can stay with something that works and is sustainable. Lexia<sup>®</sup> Academy supports professional learning with on-demand eLearning and structured courses that allow teachers to apply their learning immediately.

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## Progress Monitoring

- Accurate placement and identification of learning gaps
- Need to accelerate learning opportunities

Lexia programs focus on skill gaps and progressing students as they demonstrate mastery. Real-time data provides teachers with anytime/anywhere actionable information to empower them to focus on individual student learning needs and determine appropriate next steps.

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## Trauma

- Missing school structure
- Family concerns: job, health, food
- Lost learning opportunities

Personalized learning paths provide a bridge for students to mitigate disruptions in learning. This return to routine often provides SEL benefits to students, such as confidence, reduced emotional distress, and positive social behavior.

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