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PARENTS/GUARDIANS ASKED TO SUBMIT MODEL OF LEARNING REGISTRATION FORM BY JULY 10

In preparation for School Year (SY) 2020-2021, the Guam Department of Education (GDOE) is asking all parents/guardians to fill out the GDOE Model of Learning Registration Form to assist the GDOE as it plans the reopening of schools this fall. The form allows parents to select the model of instruction they would like their child to participate in during SY 2020-2021.

All parents/guardians are asked to complete this form and submit it to their child's school **by July 10, 2020,** *regardless of whether their child is a new or continuing student.* Families will be asked to complete the form upon registration, and parents/guardians of continuing students who do not need to submit registration forms may also reach out to their child's school directly to access and submit the Model of Learning Registration Form by the July 10 deadline. If parents/guardians do not submit this form, their child will automatically be enrolled in the traditional face-to-face instructional model.

Model of Learning Registration Form
Due to COVID-19 safety concerns, the GDOE is exploring three proposed models of instruction for SY 2020-2021. All three models will be offered, and parents may select which model their child will participate in. The Model of Learning Registration Form is being offered through the GDOE School Readiness Task Force, and aims to assess parental interest in enrolling students in one of the three following options:

1. **Home Learning Online Instruction (Online Learning)**: This model of instruction and attendance is 100% online home learning. Students attend classes online and are required to have a computer or tablet, and reliable internet access. Additionally, though not necessarily required, access to a printer and scanner is beneficial.
2. **Home Learning Hard Copies (Paper Based/Hard Copy Curriculum)**: This model of instruction and attendance is for students who would like to do 100% distance learning but do not have the equipment to support 100% online work. This would be a home learning model supported by a paper-based or hard copy based curriculum.
3. **Traditional (Face-to-Face)**: This model of instruction and attendance will be for students who will be participating in a blended model of face-to-face and distance (home) learning. Due to safety and physical distancing considerations, the District School Readiness Task Force has proposed using an A-B-C alternating schedule, where 1/3 of students attend classes on any given school day. The proposed A-B-C alternating schedule entails the following:
   - Students are divided up into equally sized alphabetical cohorts (A, B, C).
   - Cohorts will alternate days for physical attendance on campus.

- On days when students are not physically on campus, they will have assignments, projects or activities to complete and submit when they return. These assignments, projects, or activities can be provided and completed electronically or through hard copy depending on students' access to equipment and the internet.
- Alternating days will follow the same order and adjust accordingly for holidays.

Safety Guidelines

Parents/guardians should call ahead prior to visiting each school office and should schedule an appointment where possible in order to avoid crowding. All entering GDOE campuses are required to wear a mask, and visitors should report immediately to the main office where temperature screening will be conducted. Visitors may be asked to wait in their vehicles should doing so be necessary to enforce physical distancing guidelines.

For more information, please contact each school directly. The GDOE school directory is available at https://www.gdoe.net/District/Portal/Directory.

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