

## **Pre-Kindergarten Expectations During 61 Live: DPS Virtual Learning**

Decatur Public Schools is committed to providing a robust early childhood educational experience for all our Pre-Kindergarten students and families. Pre-Kindergarten develops a range of skills that make our students ready to learn in Kindergarten.

Pre-Kindergarten is an opportunity for academic growth, social and emotional development, and the creation of a positive mindset about school and learning. Pre-Kindergarten promotes the development of language, cognitive and motor skills, as well as teaching early math and literacy skills. Through play-based learning experiences, a student's natural curiosity is engaged and enhanced.

Our goal during 61 Live: DPS Virtual Learning is to provide all our students and families with educational opportunities to nurture these developmental skills, which is why we have the following Pre-Kindergarten expectations:

- Daily student engagement with classroom teacher and/or with available non-digital assignments;
- Weekly return of the available non-digital assignments (if the family is using the non-digital option);
- Families make a request for available electronic device when needed;
- Teachers document daily/weekly student-family engagement on virtual platform and/or non-digital assignments;
- Communicate with the teacher or principal if there are any concerns during virtual learning.

Student and family engagement is not optional for any enrolled Decatur Public Schools Pre-Kindergarten student or family. If non-engagement becomes an issue, families are at risk of having their Pre-Kindergarten seat vacated, and we will activate our waiting list for students and families who agree to our engagement expectations.