



2020-2021 Plan for Awarding Carnegie Units of Credit

In July 2020, the Mississippi Department of Education was granted approval for an additional one-year suspension of the minimum of 140 hours of instruction required for each Carnegie unit of credit offered and 70 hours for each one-half (1/2) unit offered for the 2020-2021 school year. This suspension allowed districts flexibility with scheduling/restart options in an effort to comply with the MS Department of Health and CDC guidelines as a result of the ongoing impact of COVID-19 during the 2020-2021 school year. In addition, each district was required to develop a plan to ensure the mastery of the content for each Carnegie unit awarded in lieu of meeting the 140-hour requirement for one (1) Carnegie unit awarded and 70 hours for each one-half (1/2) unit awarded.

The Laurel School District’s plan for awarding Carnegie units of credit is as follows:

<u>In-person/Hybrid Learning Expectations:</u>	<u>Virtual (online and/or off-line) Expectations:</u>
<p>-Students will be required to be present on their designated days of in-person instruction and follow their daily schedule to include 94 minutes of instruction per block.</p> <p>-Students will be required to participate in classroom lessons and complete/submit assignments as instructed by the teacher(s).</p> <p>-On the days on which students are not required to be present, they must participate in the virtual online learning lessons via the learning management system and/or complete the virtual offline learning packets developed by the corresponding subject area teachers. Both the virtual online lessons and the learning packets will include a lesson outline that will be equivalent to a minimum of 240 minutes of instruction per subject area per day.</p>	<p><u>Online:</u></p> <p>-Students will be required to log into the learning management system daily and complete the tasks outlined in modules that have been developed by each subject area teacher. The modules will provide each student with an opportunity to complete the required minimum of 240 minutes of instruction per subject per day. *The tasks may include: participating in a live chat with the teacher and classmates, a virtual class lesson, completing a specific assignment and submitting the assignment, etc...*</p> <p><u>Offline:</u></p> <p>-Students who do not have access to technology and internet will be afforded the option of engaging in lessons via learning packets. Each packet will include a lesson outline that will be equivalent to a minimum of 240 minutes of instruction per day per subject area.</p>

-Students will be required to complete the daily assignments as instructed by each teacher and return the completed packets to Laurel High School on the designated date they have been given. ***Virtual only students will return packets on Wednesdays and will receive new packets. Hybrid students will be given instructions by their classroom teachers regarding submission of the packets based on their designated in-person days of instruction.**