

- ***What are the recommendations for rural counties where students lack Internet connectivity?***

Here are some creative equitable solutions from our MD systems that have been shared to date:

- Cecil County is purchasing T-Mobile hotspots for their buses. The buses will be parked in areas of the county that have limited coverage.
 - Some school systems are sending packets to students weekly with prepaid postage envelopes to be sent to teachers.
 - One school system has their content coordinators and supervisors determine what has to be taught and then creates lessons for students in all contents. They will use Google classroom for delivery. Classroom teachers provide intervention, support, and conduct all grading.
 - One school system is relocating access points to the entry area of the school so students can access from the car or just sit in front of the school.
 - Comcast and other cable companies have essential programs to provide high-speed internet to low-income families for \$10 per month.
- ***What are the recommendations and expectations for supporting families who do not engage with distance learning opportunities?***

Packets focusing on the same content being learned online will be provided for students on a weekly basis.

Maryland Public Television began providing educational programming daily, beginning April 6.

- ***Can MSDE create learning opportunities available on Maryland Public Television?***

Programming began April 6 and runs 11 hours a day. There will be educational programming for students at the elementary, middle, and high school levels.