

Winslow Public Schools Speech/Language Therapy Department

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Hybrid Therapy Plan

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Dear Parents & Guardians,

We are so looking forward to seeing all of your children again for speech therapy this fall! We have missed them dearly over the summer. As you know, this year looks very different than those of years past. We have planned throughout the summer on how best to provide therapy to our students while keeping them safe and avoiding multiple contact points. That being said, here is a brief summary of this year's current plan.

Students who receive direct speech and language therapy services will be scheduled remotely. This means that the majority of students will be seen through a teletherapy model. Students will also be scheduled for their therapy sessions on the days that they are home in order to optimize their in-person academic instruction. Students who are fully remote will also be scheduled on the off-days of their remote instruction. For example, if your child is in Cohort 1, they will receive therapy on the days that Cohort 2 is "In-person".

Each student will be given a monthly calendar schedule. Teletherapy sessions will be similar to last year. They will all be through Google Meets. Your child's Speech Therapist will have their own website available for additional resources. Therapists will also use these platforms for any new additional information or parent/guardian updates.

Teletherapy is a very popular practice in the world of Speech Therapy. We are excited to work with your children using this modality even though we would much rather see their smiling faces in person. We welcome any questions or concerns that you may have! Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions. The best way to reach us is through email: dmichaud@winslowk12.org OR skelso@winslowk12.org

Sincerely,

Debbie Michaud & Storm Kelso, M.A. CCC-SLP
Speech Language Pathologists

HELPFUL INFORMATION! Start Here!

Please check out Mrs. Michaud's website for instructions on how to login to Google Meets for your Therapy Sessions! Additional information for your children about wearing masks, starting the new year, and speech/language information will be updated on this website often! This website will also be updated with any schedule changes!!!

<https://sites.google.com/aos92.org/wes-speech-mrs-michaud>

Expectations for the New Year!

Student Expectations

- Follow therapy schedule given by Speech Therapist.
- Follow all protocols for live meetings including wearing appropriate school attire, staying in one spot, and remembering to mute your microphone when not talking to reduce background noise.
- Remember that the behavior expectations during the therapy session would be the same as at school.
- Check Google Classroom everyday for information, assignments and resources
- Attend therapy sessions remotely each scheduled time unless sick.
- Do your best work.
- Communicate with your teacher and your family about how things are going

Parent Expectations

- Ensure that students are attending their scheduled therapy sessions.
- Ensure that students arrive to their teletherapy session on-time.
- Communicate with the school if you are keeping your child home for the day and the reason for the absence.
- Establish a workspace for the student with limited distractions when possible.
- Support students with required work.
- Communicate with the teacher and/or help the student communicate with the teacher if there are any questions.

PLEASE REMEMBER:

- Only students invited to attend their therapy session will be allowed to join.
- **Students must join using their student email account.**
- Individuals not invited and individuals trying to join with email accounts that are not part of the school's email domain will not be allowed to join.
- Parents must maintain confidentiality of other students participating in sessions