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Dear Parents,

Fulton County Schools will introduce a Blended Learning instructional model at McClarin Success Academy, in the Fall of 2019.

Blended Learning combines the structure and support of face-to-face instruction with the flexibility and personalization that online learning provides. Through this model students will have more flexibility to learn at their own pace and focus on their individual academic needs. In addition, it provides teachers with the tools to break away from the traditional lecture approach to instruction. Implementing the new model at McClarin will allow teachers to focus on smaller groups during the class period so that students can get the personal attention needed.

There are many ways to implement blended learning, and we are in the process of designing the structure of our instructional model to meet the specific needs of our students. We are committed to keeping you informed as we make progress. We will add a section on the school's website to share updates so that you are as educated as possible on how to prepare for the new school year.

Below are some of the more frequently asked questions about this Blended Learning model. Keep in mind, Fulton's approach will be tailored to the needs of our students. Again, thank you for your patience as we continue to implement the blended learning model.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have questions. We will continue to update our Q&A with your questions.

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FAQ

What is Blended Learning?

Blended Learning is a formal education model being successfully used in many schools throughout the nation. In Blended Learning, students will learn through two processes. Some learning will take place through online delivery of content and instruction. This gives students more control over the time, place, path, and/or pace of their own learning. Some learning will take place through the more traditional approaches of a supervised classroom. This gives students the one-on-one attention and personal connections needed to support their progress.

Will Blended Learning change McClarin Success Academy's alternative approach?

Blended Learning will change how teachers guide students through their learning. Blended Learning will not change the culture and community the students and staff have built. The Blended Learning model fits well with the school's goals and philosophy of flexible schedules, meeting individual needs and fostering individual accountability for learning.

Will devices or technology be provided to students?

Yes. All students will be provided with devices upon enrollment.

Will students be required to physically go to the school building?

Yes. Students will need to come to the school building to plan for and complete some assignments. However, depending on the student's schedule, there may be days when the student can work exclusively online.