**Guidance for Districts for Mathematics during COVID-19 Closures**

The Idaho State Department of Education has strong partnerships with our Universities through our Idaho Regional Math Centers (RMC). We also have partnerships with Idaho Digital Learning Alliance (IDLA), Imagine Learning, Curriculum Associates, College Board, and Kahn Academy that can help districts set up both online learning experiences for students. Our Regional Math Centers, Imagine Learning and Curriculum Associates have resources for students who do not have online access.

As much as possible, we encourage teachers and districts to keep students in a systematic sequential program of instruction for mathematics as opposed to random activities. Guide students toward a series of learning experiences within a topic for conceptual development. This is also a good time for review of previously learned content, vocabulary and practice of basic calculation skills. Utilize both online and paper and pencil resources as well as materials such as flashcards, games and even Legos or cheerios from home.

Below are resources available through each of our partners.

**Regional Math Centers**

Our Regional Math Center Directors will work with the Regional Math Specialists to support school districts in their region in whatever ways the schools and districts need. Visit the RMC websites for high quality math resources for students. Our team will be continuously adding materials to their websites in the event of long-term school closures in their regions.

Here is the contact information for the Director of each Regional Math Center.

Region 1 Regional Math Center University of Idaho

<https://www.uidaho.edu/cda/outreach/regional-math-centers>

Director: Julie Amador [irmc@uidaho.edu](mailto:irmc@uidaho.edu)

Region 2 Regional Math Center

<https://www.lcsc.edu/irmc/contact-irmc>

Director: Kacey Diemert [kmdiemert@lcsc.edu](mailto:kmdiemert@lcsc.edu)

Regions 3 & 4 Regional Math Center

<https://www.boisestate.edu/rmc>

Director: Michelle Carney [michellecarney@boisestate.edu](mailto:michellecarney@boisestate.edu)

Regions 5 & 6 Regional Math Center

Director: <https://www.isu.edu/rmc>

Director: Angie Godfrey godfange@isu.edu

**Imagine Math**

Imagine Learning partners with the Idaho State Department of Education to provide licenses for [Imagine Math Pre K-2](https://www.imaginelearning.com/math/prek-2), and [Imagine Math 3+](https://www.imaginelearning.com/math/3-8) to Idaho students. If your district/school is already using Imagine Math, please feel free to roster additional students as necessary. If you need help rostering additional students, please email [idaho2020@imaginelearning.com](mailto:idaho2020@imaginelearning.com). Here is a flyer to send home to parents for at-home access:

[English Parent Letter](https://imaginelearning.app.box.com/s/p7mrmjogjtnyac8lmvhq52de245pqzp0/file/632760788991)

[Spanish Parent Letter](https://imaginelearning.app.box.com/s/p7mrmjogjtnyac8lmvhq52de245pqzp0/file/632761104550)

Offline materials for students are available through the teacher portal found here: [Imagine Math Teacher Login.](https://math.imaginelearning.com/users/sign_in) Once teachers log in, click on Content, then Teaching Resources and select their respective grade level.

If your district or school isn’t currently using Imagine Math, please fill out the following survey and Imagine Learning will be in touch with next steps.

[quick survey](https://nam02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fil.az1.qualtrics.com%2Fjfe%2Fform%2FSV_eLqtZHIBxLWc6vH&data=02%7C01%7Cemily.bybee%40imaginelearning.com%7C485b770b230e43bfe5d408d7c7a92d2f%7Cd99998669d2c4a65b3be06a4bd34f3fb%7C0%7C0%7C637197401744145303&sdata=qsCQDq%2BguZQOTZVvQ%2B7ivrGSftEF3S%2FZsrrozvhkTbg%3D&reserved=0)

For more information about the products and home use, for both educators and parents, please visit [www.imaginelearning.com/at-home](http://www.imaginelearning.com/at-home).

For any other questions, please email [idaho2020@imaginelearning.com](mailto:idaho2020@imaginelearning.com).

**Duration of the free-of-charge licenses**

Licenses will be available until the end of the school year (through June 2020).

**Professional Development**

Imagine Learning will provide limited onsite professional development. Professional development will be offered in the form of on-demand training through Imagine University and webinars, as scheduled. Educators will also have access to our Customer Care line and families using Imagine Math 3+ will have access to live teachers. As we all adapt to these changes, we anticipate support needs increasing significantly and are making every effort to support schools and parents. We appreciate your patience during this transitional time.

**i-Ready by Curriculum Associates**

Many districts in Idaho already have technology set up with Curriculum Associates as existing clients or as part of the K-2 Math Screener Pilot.

In response to COVID-19 related school closures nationwide, **Curriculum Associates has launched** [i-Ready.com/AtHome](http://www.i-ready.com/AtHome) to give families and educators access to a library of K-8 *printable* at-home activity packs designed to reinforce key concepts and provide students with valuable self-directed exercises and practice during extended absences from school.

Additionally, they are providing **District-level access to i-Ready teacher-assigned lessons and Learning Games at no charge until July 1, 2020** along with **f**ree initial virtual professional development and implementation support to educators and administrators as they transition to a blended and virtual education experience for their students.

**How to Participate**

**EXISTING partners**: For Districts who are already using i-Ready in some capacity, we are happy to offer **expanded** licensing free of charge through July 1, 2020. This offer applies to District-level accounts that might need more licenses for an existing subject or grades, as well as those needing to add a subject or grade or Learning Games.

**NEW partners**: For Districts-level customers new to Curriculum Associates and i-Ready, we have created an easy way for students to bypass the adaptive diagnostic assessment and **directly access** teacher-assigned online instructional lessons and learning games. These licenses will be free of charge through July 1, 2020. At this time, we anticipate supporting up to 1 million additional new students nationwide, however this offer is presented on a first-come, first-served basis. Districts will need to provide a dedicated contact to work with our Account Management team to complete the account set-up process, including rostering of student and teacher data and free virtual PD and support.

**To sign up, please contact:**

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**Kahn Academy and College Board**

High school students who have taken the PSAT or the SAT have accounts set up with College Board, the provide of the PSAT and SAT. If a student does not know how to access his/her College Board account, have them contact their school. College Board partners with Kahn Academy to create a learning pathway for students based on their PSAT and SAT score. Studies have shown that when students utilize this resource and do the tutorials, their score on the next testing is significantly higher. Utilizing an extended absence to work on these tutorials could have an impact on future college opportunities.

Kahn Academy also has a pretest option for all grade levels to provide a learning pathway for students if they have not taken the PSAT or SAT.

**Idaho Digital Learning Academy**

For additional assistance on planning for mathematics instruction in the event of a school closure, please contact:

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