



STUDENT ACTIVITIES FOR HOME

For Middle School

In the event of an extended school closure, the school district wants to provide students and families with potential activities to continue learning in all subject areas at home. The activities below are extensions of the learning that your student participates in each day.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS

Read, Read, Read!

- Anything you have access to – Books, magazines, news stories, online articles.

Get Organized

- Clean out your backpack, school folders, and binders.

Current Events

- Watch the news. Write a summary of the story in your own words.

Writing

- Keep a daily log and write for 10-20 minutes daily. Write stories, poems, or songs. Write thank you notes to families and friends for helpful things they have done.

MATH

Negative Number Game

- Make number cards for all the numbers between -9 and +9 with four cards for each number. Play war by flipping over one card at a time. Try the game with flipping over two cards and adding or subtracting them.

Geometry

- Find examples of the following rotations in your home: rotational symmetry, translation, reflection, dilation.
- Make your own art using these transformations.

Dream Shopping Spree

- Make a list of things you would buy if you won \$5,000. How much would it cost with 8% tax? How much would you save if you have a 25% off coupon?

Win Percentage

- Play several games with someone else. Keep track of wins and losses. What percentage of the games did you win?

SCIENCE

The Moon

- Observe the moon and stars over several nights. Write down what you observe.

Magnetism

- Make a list of everything in your home that is magnetic. How do you know it is magnetic?

The Human Body

- What do the different body systems have in common? Name all the organ systems that you use for walking? Make a list of foods in your home that have the MOST calories.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Plan

- Develop a fitness routine that works on each fitness component (cardiovascular endurance, muscular strength and endurance, flexibility, and body composition).

Stay Healthy

- Create a public service announcement regarding a current health topic. Why is it important to share information about this topic?

Move!

- Make up a game of tag with your own rules. Create a yoga routine with ten different poses.
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SOCIAL STUDIES

The World

- Watch or listen to a world news broadcast. Discuss the current world events with your family.

- Explain how current world events are impacting your life, the life of your other family members, the nation, and the world.

- Pick a world leader. Learn about that person and the role they play in the government.
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ONLINE LEARNING RESOURCES

Syracuse City School District students have a variety of high quality online resources available to them to continue their learning beyond the four walls of the classroom. This guide outlines how to access these resources as well as what is available to use at home. Most students are familiar with how to log into these resources because they also use them in their classrooms. These programs can be accessed from any device with internet access.

Directions for logging into SCSD online resources:

- Using Google Chrome, open the SCSD homepage: www.scsd.us
- Scroll down below the SCSD Banner Picture and click on the **Library** icon.
- Open **CLEVER** on the left side of the page.
- Click on the **Log in with the Active Directory** button.
- Enter the student username and password information.
- Select a resource that appears on the clever page!

Canvas



Castle Learning



Newsela



Dreambox

