

# FAQs

**Q. Is DRALive@Home a fancy name for distance learning?**

A. Distance learning is a broad term that encompasses courses that are delivered via the Internet without physical, face-to-face interaction between student and instructor; In that way, instruction via DRALive@Home, FLVS are distance learning. But there are important differences between the way distance learning occurred in the spring as an emergency response and how we are planning for instruction to occur during the first nine weeks of school. The new DRALive@Home model has both live streaming and online practice. Students will attend classes daily with a teacher using live video conferencing. This supports students with instruction, monitoring and feedback.

**Q. I'm not sure how my 6 year old will do staring at a screen for 6 hours, 5 days a week. What plans are in place for elementary students doing DRALive@Home to ensure this doesn't happen?**

A. The DRALive@Home model is designed to provide daily, live lessons to students using video conferencing; however, that does not mean the teacher will be lecturing for 7.5 hours. Here is an example: In face-to-face elementary math instruction, teachers may provide a 30-minute whole group lesson, 15-minutes of guided practice and then students complete independent practice on their own.

**Q. Will teachers do in person teaching and distance learning at the same time?**

A. Our 2020-2021 Instructional plan includes in-person and virtual instructional teaching. The DRALive@Home model will be used during the first nine weeks of the 2020-2021 school year.

**Q. Will my child have the same teachers in the school and virtually?**

A. Yes, in the DRALive@Home model students will have the teacher from the class they are enrolled in.

**Q. How will unauthorized people, either hackers or others in the student's home, be prevented from participating?**

A. Access to the Zoom video conferencing system is based on authentication which prevents unauthorized users from logging in to the link without teachers admitting them.

**Q. How will it work for clubs and after-school activities for students?**

A. Before and after-school, including extracurricular activities, will be available for families who choose to enroll their children.

**Q. Will parents have access to videos of classroom lessons?**

A. That is up to the teacher. Teachers will decide if they choose to record their lesson and if they do choose to record it, where and if it will be posted.

**Q. How long will DRALive@Home be in place?**

A. DRALive@Home will be used during the first nine weeks of the 2020-2021 school year.

**Q. What will the students be reading if they do not have access to books from home?**

A. Each student will be given their instructional materials. (i.e. textbooks and supplies)