

CANNON FALLS PUBLIC SCHOOLS

B.O.L.D. Guidelines

(Bomber Online Learning Day)

What is a Bomber Online Learning Day?

BOLD refers to a school day when instead of coming to a school building, teachers and student communicate online, or set up prior learning expectations, and the students continue their learning from home. On a BOLD day teachers will share assignments, and hold office hours in which they are available to provide learning support to students. Teachers can opt to this from off campus or their classroom.

Why is Cannon Falls going to be using online learning days?

We now live in a world in which learning can happen anywhere at any time. When school is shut down for a weather emergency or other reason, learning no longer needs to cease. In addition, having students develop greater capacity and skills for continuing their learning away from school is terrific preparation for living in the digital world.

A BOLD day is a terrific means of extending student learning. They will allow our students to work from home, avoiding potentially dangerous commutes, and allow them to work in a safe, warm environment when the weather is unforgiving. Schools that use days like this report the experience to be far superior in terms of learning than holding 'make up' days in June.

When will we have BOLD Online Learning Days?

These days will be held when there are unplanned school closures due to situations such as severe weather or power outages. On these days:

- Families of students will receive an automated phone call notifying them of the impending BOLD. Announcements will also be made via television and the school website.
- Teachers will communicate assignments for the students in the courses that would have met that day.
- Teachers will be online and accessible during regular school hours to provide support for student learning.
- Teachers may also have sent home pre planned activities to be used on a BOLD day. This will be common in our early grades, but may take place in other grades, too.
- As always, accommodations will be made for students with special needs and for students that do not have access to the internet.