



Alternative Methods of Instruction (AMI) Application

Status: **Approved**

 Ozark Mountain School District (6505000)

School Year 2021-2022

Applications will be reviewed in the order received. Incomplete applications will be returned to the district.
A notification letter will be sent to the superintendent at the email address listed above upon approval by the Arkansas State Board of Education.
NOTE: The approved application must then be posted on the district website - State Required Information.

District:	
LEA #:	6505000
Superintendent:	Kerry Saylor
Email:	ksay@omsd.k12.ar.us
Phone:	(870) 439-2218 Ext. 502
Duration Requested (not to exceed five years):	5 Years (School year 2021-2022 to 2026-2027)



AMI (Alternate Method of Instruction)

As per Arkansas Code Annotated Â§ 6-10-127 a district may apply for up to 10 days of AMI for the use of alternative methods of instruction, including [remote] learning, on days when the district is closed due to exceptional or emergency circumstances such as:

- contagious disease outbreak
- inclement weather
- other acts of God
- utility outage

Number of AMI days requested by the district. 10
 (Please note that all AMI days utilized must be noted in eSchool. Sporting events, funerals, other school events, lack of substitutes, or lack of bus drivers do not qualify as exceptional circumstances.)

Provide a description of the AMI assignments and materials used at each school within the district to effectively facilitate teaching and support learning for the benefit of the students. Please include information if the district will utilize technology-based assignments or paper packets. (AMI packets must be available on-line or have been sent home prior to the designation of an AMI day)

Our teachers have digital content available to them through their curriculum in each subject area. Teachers will make assignments for students through Google Classroom for AMI work. Any students who do not have access to internet will be provided with paper copies of work. General education teachers will be available to all students during AMI days by email. Teachers will be expected to be available to answer any questions posted in their Google Classroom or by email. Students who do not have internet access will be able to reach their teacher by using the Remind app on their cellular phone.

Describe how student attendance will be determined for an approved AMI day. (All attendance should be determined and reported in eSchool within 5 days of the AMI day.) May include a link (URL) to the attendance policy for digital learning students if applicable to all students during AMI days.

Attendance will be based on submission of completed work. Students will have 3 school days to submit work for an approved AMI day. At the end of 3 school days, attendance for that AMI day will be recorded.

Describe how the district will ensure implementation of Individual Education Programs (IEPs) for students with disabilities on AMI days. Include how the district will involve the special education teacher in the provision of special education services during the AMI day to meet the individual needs of each student.

Students with IEPs will have access tot heir special education teacher on AMI days. Teachers are still on contract and will be available to serve students by phone or by computer. Work for these students will be assigned by a cooperation between the special education teacher and the classroom teacher to ensure student's individual needs are met.



Describe how accommodations and related services will be provided.

Teachers will provide accommodations for students in the same way they would in the classroom. These accommodations will be included with the work assigned through the paper packet or Google Classroom. These may include reduced assignments, extended time to complete assignments, appropriate leveled reading, etc. Related services will be made up on days when school is in session.

Please include the link (URL) to the webpage or social media where information will be posted to announce the date of the AMI day and reason for utilizing the AMI day - (this should match the AMI dates entered into eSchool). (Example: December 1 will be an AMI day due to inclement weather)

Ozark Mountain School District Facebook Group
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/246361980388781> and through School Messenger phone call.

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