



## Accessing the HOPE Learning Center Network

**What are HOPE Learning Centers?** HOPE (Harnessing our Partnerships for Education) Learning Centers are designed safe, welcoming and supportive communities for young people K-12 to access while completing their online learning.

Our goals are to provide students:

1. Safe and supportive space to complete DPS online learning.
2. Two meals a day and snacks throughout the day to sustain learning.
3. Activities and experiences which increase the social and emotional capacity of our young people during this challenging time (Art, coding, restorative circles, STEM, leadership, etc),
4. Recreation/physical activity

**What safety precautions will be used to keep children and staff safe during COVID?** With safety as a priority, all centers will adhere to all local, state and federal guidelines for childcare during COVID 19. In addition students will be:

1. Assigned into fixed learning pods with no more than 12 children.
2. Will be screened daily upon entering the building. Anyone who does not pass the screening will be sent home.
3. Required to wear masks while at Learning Centers and kept 6 feet apart.
4. Anyone who starts to demonstrate potential COVID symptoms will be sent home and will not be able to return on premises without a negative COVID test and/or quarantine period.

**How much does it cost to access a HOPE Learning Center?** Through partnership with the County and City of Durham and the Durham Public Schools Foundation, The YMCA, Student U and Kate's Korner are able to offer enrollment free of cost to students who meet any of the following criteria until the end of the first semester.

1. Are experiencing houselessness or transitional housing
2. Qualify for free or reduced lunch
3. Have parents who work in essential jobs and aren't able to have childcare at home during the day (food industry, custodial staff, healthcare)



4. Have parents who have become unemployed due to COVID
5. Are part of the foster care system
6. Live in Durham Housing Authority [Housing](#)

Durham Public Schools currently offers free enrollment to students who qualify for free lunch, and receive McKinney Vento services. Students who qualify for reduced lunch can register at the reduced rate of \$70.00/week.

**Will food be provided?** All sites will be able to provide children with breakfast and lunch.

**Will transportation be provided?** Students who enroll in Durham Public Schools Learning Centers will be able to request transportation. The other learning centers are not able to provide transportation to participants at this time.

**What will my child need to bring daily?** Students should bring their devices and supplies necessary to complete their remote education. Water bottles are also encouraged!

**How do I enroll my child into a HOPE network learning center?** Each center enrolls students independently. You may find description and enrollment information below:

#### **Durham Public Schools Learning Centers**

**Location:** Centers are available at W.G. Pearson Elementary, Eno Valley, Southwest, Carrington, Githens and Shepard.

**Students Served:** W.G. Pearson Elementary, Eno Valley, Southwest serve elementary school students. Carrington, Githens and Shepard serve middle school and high school students.

**Hours of operations:** Sites are open from 7:00 am until 6:00 pm Monday-Friday.

**How do I enroll?** Please download the application [here](#). If you cannot complete a paper application, please call (919) 560-9488 to complete your application over the phone.

#### **Bull City Colab sponsored by Kate's Korner**

**Location:** 506 Ramseur Street

**Students Served:** This location will serve students in K-5.

**Hours of operations:** 7:00-3:30 pm



How do I enroll? Please complete the registration form [here](#)

Phone: Kezia Goodwin 919 523 8455

**The W.G. Pearson Learning Center sponsored by Student U**

Location: The W.G. Pearson Center, 600 E Umstead Street

Students Served: This site serves middle and high school students.

Hours of operations: 7:30-4:00 pm

How do I enroll? You complete the registration form [here](#).

Contact: April Warren (919) 808-5791.

**YMCA**

Locations: DT Durham at 218 W. Morgan Street and Hope Valley Farms YMCA at 4818 S. Roxboro Street.

Students Served: These locations serve elementary and middle school students.

Hours of operations: 7:30-3:30 pm with an option for extended day until 6:00 pm

How do I enroll? Please contact forrest perry at [Forrest.Perry@ymcatriangle.org](mailto:Forrest.Perry@ymcatriangle.org)

To learn more about the Y's offering please visit this [website](#).