



Willamette Leadership Academy
Second Battalion
Comprehensive Distance Learning
Overview



WLA Second Battalion will operate on a Modified Block Schedule during Comprehensive Distance Learning. Cadets will have classes, teacher-facilitated learning activities, and applied learning opportunities Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday every week. Wednesdays will be used for staff to check-in with students, planning and developing rigorous Distance Learning materials, and ongoing professional development. Participation will be expected daily and cadets will be required to check in with their teachers in class and during the week.

All WLA teachers will set up virtual classrooms via **Google Classroom**. These will be centralized places where cadets can check in with their teachers, turn in school work and receive instructions for applied learning.

Each week, all WLA teachers will conduct live classes using the platform **Zoom Video Conferencing**. Cadets will receive instructions for signing into class through Google Classroom.

WLA will also use a program called **ClassTag** which is a virtual classroom assistant used to communicate with families about weekly updates and newsletters, school supply lists and other important information. Google Classroom, Zoom and ClassTag are accessible through the web or apps for smartphones.

The times scheduled for Zoom classes will be staggered with the First Battalion schedule to ensure that they do not overlap. Cadets will have approx. 3 live Zoom classes per day. All Zoom classes will be recorded and available for later viewing for any Cadets that can't attend the live sessions.

On Mondays and Thursdays all 2BN cadets will have live Science and Math classes. Tuesdays and Fridays, Cadets will have live Language Arts and Social Studies classes. Cadets will also have Military Science, Health and Wellness, PT and Digital Citizenship classes. Resource times will be made available for all Cadets and Teachers will have regular office hours every week.

Teachers will check in with Cadets every Wednesday and during the week as needed. Families may always request appointments with teachers.

The Battalion Commander, LTC Kate Klontz, will also have weekly check in meetings via Zoom where families can ask questions and have some (virtual) facetime.

Once School begins on September 9th, the WLA administration will have many orientation meetings for families to learn how all these electronic platforms work. We will work very hard to make sure every WLA Cadet has the technology and the information they need to be successful.