

Webinar Series on Remote Learning

TITLE

Remote Learning Strategies for K12

BRIEF SYNOPSIS

During this webinar we will discuss best practices for transitioning from tradition classroom instruction to remote learning. Together, we will cover tips for creating videos, lesson planning, and, most importantly, keeping your students engaged.

SPEAKER

Amaurys Valdez

SPEAKER BIO:

Amaurys Valdez is a Network Engineer and Cybersecurity instructor at Queens Technical High School and a Cisco Network Academy instructor with over eleven years of experience in technical education. He has a Bachelor's Degree in Career and Technical education from New York College of Technology and an Associate's Degree in Computer Networking from the City University of New York Borough of Manhattan Community College. Amaurys is currently enrolled in a Master's program in Cybersecurity and Counter Terrorism at Maryville University of St. Louis.

DURATION

56 min 12 sec

TIMESTAMPS

[0:00](#) – Speaker Introduction

[3:57](#) – Lights, Camera, Action!

[11:52](#) – Lights, Camera, Action! –
Takeaways

[14:00](#) – Cutting Through the Clutter

[20:03](#) – Cutting through the Clutter –
Takeaways

[21:39](#) – The Beginning, Middle, and End

[34:06](#) – The Beginning, Middle, and End -
Takeaways

[37:55](#) – Game Plan – Bringing it all together.

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Q&A with Amaurys Valdez:

Q: We currently use the Brave or Opera browser for VPN, do you have additional recommendations?

A: I would also recommend Windscribe and Nord VPN.

Q: Can I use Air pods (as a mic) on a Microsoft PC?

A: You should be able to use Air pods as a Bluetooth headset on your windows machine. The sound is pretty good so it should work. Your laptop must be Bluetooth enabled as well.

Q: Can you provide any recommendations on software that can record my screen?

A: I would recommend Camtasia.

Q: For new online educators, how do you recommend to start and not fail really bad?

A: Ease into it slowly. Use whatever method you're currently using and slowly transition to some kind of learning management system. Most educators are right there with you, so you are in good company! Start small and grow. The "safest" method is to record your lessons for playback. Don't feel like it has to be Hollywood quality. Your students just want to see you and hear your voice!

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[AWS Educate Office Hours for Educators and Students](#) – Webinars, office hours, and training sessions for educators and students

[Camtasia](#) – Camtasia is a software suite for creating video tutorials and presentations via screencast or connection to Microsoft PowerPoint.